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RUSSIA CONFIRMS PRIGOZHIN'S DEATH IN JET CRASH AFTER GENETIC TESTING

The Wagner chief was on a jet that crashed near Moscow on Wednesday, weeks after he led a short-lived rebellion against Russian leadership

IDENTITIES OF ALL 10 VICTIMS ESTABLISHED

Russia's Investigative Committee said on Sunday that forensic and genetic testing identified all 10 bodies recovered at the site, which correspond to the names on the passenger list of the plane. Dmitry Utkin, a shadowy figure who managed Wagner's operations and allegedly served in Russian military intelligence, was also among the passengers of the crashed Embraer jet

RUSSIA SAYS DRONES STRUCK BORDER AREAS

- Prigozhin mounted a day-long mutiny against the Russian military in June, leading his mercenaries from Ukraine toward Moscow, presenting the biggest challenge to Russian President Vladimir Putin's grip on power
- Meanwhile, fighting between Russia and Ukraine continued to rage on Sunday, with Russia saying its border regions were again hit by drones

62-year-old

PRIGOZHIN LED SOME OF RUSSIA'S BLOODIEST BATTLES IN UKRAINE

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Chinese villages coming up along sensitive areas

Beijing's focus is on settlements on eastern sector of LAC, say sources

MAYANK SINGH @New Delhi

IN a bid to press its claims over the un-demarcated borders with India, China is busy setting up 'border settlement villages' in many sensitive areas of the Line of Actual Control (LAC). Multiple sources confirmed to this newspaper that the focus of these settlements (Xiaokang in Chinese) has been the Eastern Sector.

While the number of such settlements is estimated at 630 villages in the Tibetan Autonomous Region, the focus has been towards Tawang (30 villages) and Tulung La (25).

From a strategic perspective, Tawang is seen as the entry point to Arunachal Pradesh and the Northeast. Also, it has religious significance as far as the Tibetans are concerned. Tulung La holds significance as in 1975, the Chinese had ambushed 4 Assam Rifles troops.

Such settlements have also been spotted in the sensitive area of Chumar (8 villages).

According to sources, construction is also taking place opposite West Bhutan and North Bhutan. This activity gained pace after the 19th Party Congress in October 2017, which was "intended to create a buffer and a means of surveillance and territorial claim", said sources.

Legal status

According to China's Land Border Law of 2022, these villages have legal basis. The law stipulates that while the PLA and police will maintain border security, the citizens are duty-bound to protect and defend border infra

However, officials warn against treating these settlements as villages, as China will use it while pressing their claim over the areas. "We should call these Chinese border settlements in the un-demarcated areas, and not Chinese villages," said an official, adding: "If we call them Chinese villages now, after 10 years they will say even Indian media term these settlements Chinese villages."

China's 2022 Land Border Law calls for resettling the population and upgrading critical infrastructure along the border. These villages fill the gap between civil and military infrastructure. "Connectivity has improved... they have oil pipeline, optical fibre, and heliport," say sources, adding that Chinese people have been forced to live there.

During a field trip to Kibithu, East of Arunachal Pradesh, this reporter witnessed one such settlement called Tatu Camp. It had two separate sections constructed. Half of it is a village area and the other half is a military block having an administrative building, helipad, and a small firing range on the backside of the building.

India has also begun constructing villages closer to the borders but we are a late starter, said sources.

SPEAR-HEAD: HISTORIC GOLD

Neeraj Chopra throws during the men's javelin final at the World Championships on Sunday | AP

NEERAJ NAILS IT

Olympic champion Neeraj Chopra won a historic gold, India's first, at the World Championships in Budapest on Sunday. In hot and humid conditions, Chopra did not have a good first throw but came back to throw 88.17m in the second. Kishore Jena, who almost missed the worlds due to visa issue was 5th (84.77m) and DP Manu finished 6th (84.14m). Arshad Nadeem (87.82m) was second while Jakub Vadlejch (86.67m) 3rd.

Modi calls for framework on crypto, ethical AI use

YESHI SELI @New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday called for a global framework on cryptocurrency and ethical use of Artificial Intelligence. Speaking at the B20 Summit in Delhi, the PM also said India is preparing a framework for Green Credit for businesses to encourage planet-positive actions.

"Today, the world is showing a lot of excitement regarding AI. But amidst the excitement there are also some ethical considerations," Modi said, adding such considerations must be addressed through a global framework.

The prime minister called on businesses to adopt a planet-positive approach. "India is preparing a framework of green credit for businesses, which emphasizes planet-positive actions," Modi said.

The PM also urged businesses to take a consumer-centric approach and said a profitable market can only be sustained when there is a balance between the interests of the producers and those of the consumers.

Pro-Khalistan graffiti in Delhi ahead of G20 meet

UJWAL JALALI @New Delhi

Pro-Khalistan graffiti was found on the walls of at least five Delhi Metro stations on Sunday, days before the start of the G20 summit in the city.

According to officials, graffiti was found on the walls of Shivaji Park, Maadipur, Paschim Vihar, Nangloi and Maharaja Surajmal Stadium stations. The wall of a government school in the city was also found to be defaced.

A senior Delhi Police official told this newspaper that an FIR was registered under Sections 153 (wantonly giving provocation, with intent to cause riot), 153A (promoting enmity between different groups) and 505 (statements conducing to public mischief) of the Indian Penal Code.

Meanwhile, Gurpatwant Singh Pannu, the leader of the banned 'Sikh For Justice (SFJ)' group released a video message claiming responsibility. "India, the battle of G20 at Pragati Maidan has started today. The slogans have been put up at all Delhi Metro stations," he said.

Seven killed in firecracker blast in Bengal

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Kolkata

AT least seven persons were killed and five others received severe injuries in a massive explosion at an illegal firecracker manufacturing unit in Duttapurur, North 24 Parganas, 30 km from Kolkata, on Sunday morning. The impact of the explosion was such that dismembered bodies of the victims were blown up and landed on the roofs and courtyards of the neighbours.

The roof of the house, where the manufacturing unit was set up, was completely blown away. The houses adjoining to the unit were also damaged.

The personnel of the bomb disposal squad and explosive experts from the forensic department rushed to the spot to take stock of the situation and ascertain whether the illegal unit was being used to manufacture crude bombs as well.

According to police, Keramat Ali, one of the victims of the explosion, was arrested one year ago after Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee instructed police to act against illegal fireworks manufacturing unit.

"Keramat was running a similar illegal unit at a place one km from Sunday's explosion sit. He was arrested and was granted bail recently and his involved in this blast surfaced again," said a police officer.

KEEPING WITH TRADITION

No room for row over naming landing point Shiv Shakti: Isro chief

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @T'puram

ISRO chairman S Somanath on Sunday said there is no room for controversy over naming the landing spot of Chandrayaan-3 on the moon as 'Shiv Shakti Point'. He said there have been precedents of names being assigned to lunar features.

Interacting with media persons during his visit to Pournamikavu-Bhadrakali Temple in Thiruvananthapuram, Somanath said India has already assigned a few names to lunar regions and it's a tradition being followed by the countries carrying out lunar expeditions.

"It's not the first time a name has been given. We have the Sarabhai crater on the moon. Each country can give names of their choice. Naming is a tradition. There is no controversy over it," he said.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi had announced that the point where Vikram Lander touched down on the moon will be called 'Shiv Shakti'. The naming triggered heated debates on whether giving a religious colour to the successful expedition was in good taste. The debate got amplified when senior Congress leader Raashid Alvi commented that Modi has no authority to name a lunar feature.

1st set of thermal data released

ISRO on Sunday released the first set of data on the Moon's thermophysical properties showing the temperature variation on lunar surface with increase in depth. The data has been obtained from ChaSTE (Chandra's Surface Thermophysical Experiment) payload | P4

On the mission, Somanath said the pictures sent from Chandrayaan lack clarity since the shadows on the lunar south pole are darker owing to lack of atmosphere and sunlight. He said landing a mission on the south pole is always a challenge owing to the irregular terrain and lack of sunlight. "But, chances of finding minerals and water are high in that region," Somanath told reporters.

Man kills daughter for spending time on phone

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Kolar

Enraged over her not listening to him and being glued to the cellphone for long hours, a man killed his daughter in Thotli village under Kolar Rural police limits on August 24. He later buried her body in his farmland with the help of his brother. The incident came to light on Sunday.

Superintendent of Police M Narayan said the deceased has been identified as **Ramya** (19). She had discontinued her studies and was working at a private factory in the industrial hub of Kolar.

During the investigation, it was revealed that Ramya never used to listen to her father Venkatesh Gowda, an auto driver, and was always busy on her cellphone. Gowda had reportedly warned her several times and the two used to get into arguments over it.

She had not gone to work for one week and on the night of August 24 (Thursday), the duo quarrelled again. In a fit of rage, Gowda hit her and she died. Gowda, with the help of his brother Mohan and another accused Chowde Gowda buried Ramya's body at his farmland on Friday morning. The police arrested Venkatesh on Sunday morning. The body was exhumed and an autopsy was conducted.

The SP said Mohan and Chowde Gowda too were arrested and the cellphone used by Ramya was seized.

EXPRESS READ

3,000 free wi-fi spots to come up in city soon, says Priyank

Bengaluru: Tech capital Bengaluru is all set to get over 3,000 free wi-fi zones in the next few days. IT-BT Minister Priyank Kharge, who held a discussion with Dy CM DK Shivakumar in this regard on Sunday, said his department will discuss the project with broadband providers and telecom companies | P4

5 HOUSES TORCHED IN MANIPUR

Unidentified men torched five abandoned houses at New Checkon, a Kuki-majority area, in Manipur's Imphal on Sunday. A tense situation prevailed with forces firing tear gas to disperse a crowd in the area | P10

PM praises B'luru's history buff in Mann Ki Baat

AKNISREE KARTHIK @Bengaluru

A feature on retired Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC) bus driver and history buff K Dhanapal on *TNSE*'s Bright Side column caught the attention of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. In the 104th episode of Mann Ki Baat, a popular radio programme hosted by Modi, he spoke about Dhanapal and appreciated his efforts in knowing and conserving history around.

Elated Dhanapal said the *TNSE* feature, published on August 6 with the headline -- 'Storyteller of Stones', caught the attention of many and he never imagined in his wildest dreams that it would reach the PM and that he would get praised for his efforts.

"Though we travel to each and every corner of the world, we remain unaware of many places and things in our city or state. Many a time people do not know the historical places in their own city. Something similar happened with BMTC bus driver Dhanapal, seventeen years ago while working in its sightseeing wing, now popularly called 'Bengaluru Darshini'. While taking tourists to different tourist places in Bengaluru, one tourist

questioned Dhanapal as to why a tank is called 'Sankey Tank'. He felt bad as he didn't know the answer. Hence, he decided to focus on enhancing his own knowledge," Modi said in the Mann Ki Baat episode broadcast on Sunday. "In his passion for knowledge about heritage, he found many stones and inscriptions. He was so engrossed in this work that he got a diploma in epigraphy. Although he has retired from BMTC, his passion to explore the history of Bengaluru is still alive," Modi said.

"I was literally on the moon listening to the episode where the PM was talking about my work. It is such appreciation and recognition that act as a motivating factor to explore more into history around us," said Dhanapal, who has dedicated his full time now to explore history around Bengaluru.

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> B K Dhanapal, former BMTC diver

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Government's support driving the growth of private universities and HEIs

UTTAR PRADESH, is poised to be the state with the greatest number of universities as well. Considering the fact of many districts not having any university and to address the need for making quality higher education opportunities easily accessible to the large youth population of the state, the Yogi Adityanath-led government has taken key measures for increasing the number of universities in Uttar Pradesh.

In addition to the three new state universities that are being constructed, Uttar Pradesh currently boasts 34 state universities, 9 deemed-to-be universities, 6 central universities, and 35 private universities. Furthermore, bolstering the higher educational landscape of the state are two Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), one Indian Institute of Management (IIM), and more than 2,000 polytechnic and vocational institutes.

With Letters of Intent or LoIs being issued in March this year to Varun Arjun University of Shahjahanpur, Lucknow's TS Mishra University, Farooq Hussain University of Agra and Bijnor's Vivek National University, in total 11 proposed private universities have received such LoIs. The state government's intent to set up universities in all 75 districts has led to more such proposals being considered. Against the backdrop of eminent private universities and higher education institutions expressing their interest in setting up their bases in the state, the State Government is all set to provide all possible help to them for beginning their operations in districts that lack higher educational opportunities.

The GIS held in February this year led to the state government receiving 74 investment proposals worth Rs. 159,027 crore in the higher education sector, wherein the US firm Imperia Innovation Invest (Austin Consulting Group), Pandit Vasudev Tiwari Skill University of Jhansi and the RPM Group, among others, proposed to set up universities and other institutions of advanced studies.

There are more than 89 universities in Uttar Pradesh out of which:-

- **Total No. of Government Universities are 40; Central Universities are 6 and State Universities are 34.**
- **Institute of National importance are 5.**
- **Total No. of Private Universities are 35.**
- **Total No. of Deemed Universities are 9.**

The Yogi Adityanath government has taken several key initiatives to revolutionize the realm of medical education in the state in the last six years. It has significantly raised the number of medical colleges in the state. The government's unswerving focus has ensured establishment of new medical colleges in the state's 45 districts. This is a significant rise in the number of medical colleges as there were merely 12 government medical colleges in the state before 2017. Apart from these, 16 are under construction and 16 more medical colleges are being established on PPP mode.

With no less than 56 lakh students appearing in the Intermediate examination conducted by the UP Board and lakhs of students passing CBSE and ICSE board examinations, reflects a growing need for a larger number of universities and other institutions of higher education in Uttar Pradesh alongside the unlimited possibilities and opportunities that the state's higher education sector holds. The more than 1.92 crore children enrolled in schools run by the Basic Education Council of the state along with a similar or more number of children studying in various schools run by non-government organizations, represent approximately four crore or more children who will require higher learning opportunities in different disciplines soon. This reality also encapsulates the immense potential for a greater number of private universities to become functional in the state, a welcome move being facilitated by the state government with its policy support and through every necessary assistance required by investors to set up universities. The Uttar Pradesh Government envisions setting new standards in the field of education steered by the private sector's involvement.

'Pehle-UP' project instrumental in raising the quality of higher education

In the view of the government making great strides in enhancing the quality of education in existing institutes of higher education in the state, the Department of Higher Education signed an MoU with the Center for Research and Industrial Staff Performance (CRISP) to develop and implement a three-year Project for Excellence in Higher Learning and Education in UP ('Pehle-UP').

With an aim to improve the ranking of hundred higher educational institutions of Uttar Pradesh, the project targets to propel 25 colleges into the top 200 colleges group at the national level. In addition to 1000 colleges witnessing the establishment of an Innovation Council in each of them under the project, NAAC accredit will take place for 25 percent of colleges affiliated with the Higher Education Department. Furthermore, the attainment of the major goals delineated in the National Education Policy-2020 will also be the project's part.

Our education system has a huge role in achieving the goals with which 21st century India is moving. In NEP traditional knowledge and futuristic technologies have been given the same importance. Education in the mother tongue is initiating a new form of justice for the students in India. It is also a very significant step towards social justice.

-Narendra Modi, Prime Minister

E-learning parks empowering students with unlimited options to gain knowledge

THE UTTAR PRADESH government has developed e-learning parks, equipped with computers, internet connection, and Wi-Fi facilities along with a digital library in the state's 120 degree colleges to promote innovation in higher educational institutions. The transformative strategy entailing preparing students for a technology-driven world aligns with the Yogi Adityanath government's emphasis on a rapid transformation of the state's education sector. A technology-driven learning atmosphere is at the core of this move, bolstered by every type of learning material's easy accessibility in technology-based formats that empower learners and make them tech-savvy. Students from rural areas, where internet connectivity is slow and students face challenges in online learning, are especially reaping the benefits of these e-learning parks.

ABACUS-UP

The state-level, student-centric Academic Bank for College and University Students of Uttar Pradesh or ABACUS-UP portal run by the Department of Higher Education has been instrumental in linking students and teachers. The academic service portal enables seamless mobility of students within degree-granting Higher Education Institutions or HEIs of the state to further distributed and flexible teaching-learning involving a formal system of credit recognition, credit accumulation, credit transfer and credit redemption. With students as account holders, they can access various options – multiple exit, entry and credit transfer – that enable their mobility across Uttar Pradesh's HEIs.

The portal, which at present has 49 universities, 3,812 colleges, 30,880 faculty members and 2,65,230 students registered on it, serves as an effective platform, where information can be accessed by the stakeholders on infrastructure, laboratories, equipment, sports and the faculty of any HEI, empowering students to explore and exercise informed choices before they seek admission. Facilitating the seamless and transparent exchange of information and sharing of resources among the HEIs, ABACUS-UP provides login credentials to students, teachers and officials of HEIs. Moreover, with the platform being linked to Digilocker, students can download their certificates, diplomas and degrees as and when they need.

Since ancient times, UP has been the main center of education and Kashi is the best example of this. Kashi, Ayodhya and Mathura have been ancient cities of culture and civilization. However, in the last few decades, a sense of alienation towards education has been seen. But today, under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, a positive attitude towards education has awakened in the country and the state.

-Yogi Adityanath, Chief Minister, Uttar Pradesh

The highest academic grade A++ awarded to four UP universities

THE PROMISING reality of four state universities having attained the highest academic grade of A++ in NAAC assessment bears testimony to Yogi Adityanath-led government's relentless efforts to enhance the quality of higher education in the state, with the Lucknow University being the first UP state university to earn this distinction. NAAC making its assessment based on the seven criteria and awarding marks on a scale of four points each, the Lucknow University attained its accreditation with a Cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.55 on a seven-point scale at A++ grade for a period of 5 years valid from July 26, 2022. While the university scored 3.6 in curricular aspects, it received 3.53 for teaching-learning and evaluation, 3.56 for research, innovation and extension, 3.76 for Infrastructure and learning resources, 3.32 for student support and progression, 3.28 for governance, leadership and management and 3.75 for innovations and best practices.

Following in the footsteps of DDU University of Gorakhpur and Meerut's CCS University, which have received the coveted academic grade, the Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Rohilkhand University of Bareilly has emerged as the latest addition to the prestigious list of institutions.

The fact that these four universities outperformed Uttar Pradesh's reputed institutions i.e. King George Medical University, Banaras Hindu University and Aligarh Muslim University in their NAAC accreditation speaks volumes about the government's success in enhancing the quality of higher education throughout the state. Furthermore, the Deendayal Upadhyaya Gorakhpur University, which had earlier received a B++ grading, improved its ranking to 'A double Plus' in January 2023 following the NAAC assessment.

Government initiatives ensure substantial rise in medical education opportunities within UP

In the past six years, 1,838 MBBS seats got increased in government medical colleges while 2150 seats were increased in private medical colleges. Overall 1,747 seats have been increased at PG level. The government has also increased 7,000 seats in nursing courses and 2,000 seats in paramedical courses.

REVOLUTIONIZING THE state's medical education scenario is the 'One District One Medical College' policy of the Uttar Pradesh Government. Uttar Pradesh has 75 districts and 65 medical colleges, 35 government and 30 private, in 59 districts, while construction of another 16 medical colleges is progressing swiftly. The state government intends to have at least one medical college in each of the sixteen districts that at present have no medical college.

An increase in the number of MBBS seats in the state's medical colleges has been a direct result of these new medical colleges opening their doors to students. The same is reflected in numbers that bring to the fore the fact that in the last six years, there has been a surge of 1,838 MBBS seats in government medical colleges alongside 2150 seats in private medical colleges bringing the increase in the number of seats to 1,747 at the PG level. Furthermore, the state government has also ensured an increase of 7,000 seats in nursing courses and 2,000 seats in paramedical courses along with initiating nursing and paramedical courses in 300 institutions under the Mission Niramaya.

While 35 defunct ANM training centres have also been restarted, the recent past has witnessed two AIIMS being set up – one in Gorakhpur and the other in Raebareli. In addition to setting up new medical colleges, the Yogi Adityanath-led government has also founded a medical university in Lucknow, Atal Bihari Vajpayee Medical University. All these initiatives exhibit the state government's unswerving commitment to facilitating the best possible medical education to the state's youth while simultaneously boosting the healthcare system of Uttar Pradesh.

Technical education receiving a boost through Quality Improvement Program

Leaders from Tata Technologies and Uttar Pradesh Govt after the MOA signing ceremony

AS A hub of engineering education in north India, Uttar Pradesh boasts three technical universities including the affiliating university Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam Technical University or AKTU, which has 1208 affiliated engineering and other technical institutions. The recent key measures taken by the state government to improve infrastructure and education standards in the state's government-run engineering colleges and institutes have been extremely fruitful. More so, with the AKTU effectuating Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyay Quality Improvement Program aimed at enhancing the education standards and infrastructure in government-aided and affiliated technical institutes and government technical universities. Alongside strengthening and ensuring the upgrade of the infrastructure and laboratories of selected institutions, the three-year program focuses on advancing research, e-resources' development, increasing employment opportunities for students and promoting renewable energy use in these institutions' campuses. While the lion's share, sixty percent, of the funds released under the scheme will be spent on infrastructure development, the remaining forty percent are allocated for enhancing educational standards. The approval of a new course – Post Graduate Diploma in Geoinformatics – by the state government in AKTU's Faculty of Architecture and Planning marks the move to bring forth courses in new disciplines.

Furthermore, the state government setting up Language Labs in 89 polytechnics alongside building 43 new smart classrooms in government polytechnics, highlights its commitment to improving infrastructure and educational standards in the state's diploma-level institutions or polytechnics. While training is being carried out by 168 of the 220 new institutions, including 201 government institutions, which the state has approved, 52 State Polytechnics are either in the under-construction phase or about to be established in addition to 1,372 private sector diploma-level institutions. Moreover, with a total intake capacity of 1575 students, training is being imparted in 21 state polytechnics in four courses that are collectively known as New Age Courses.

The upgrade of 150 government industrial training institutes, with the aid of the Tata Group, represents the state government's efforts directed at enhancing educational standards in elementary technical courses along with increasing the options available in it. As part of the upgrade, students are being trained in in-demand disciplines such as Artificial Intelligence, Internet of Things, and Advanced Computing (Robotics). Upgrade of government ITIs in the state to equip these with 58 new workshop rooms and 87 new theory classrooms and IT laboratories has further boosted access to quality technical education in Uttar Pradesh.

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POLITICAL TACTIC?

Ex-corporators question Palike ward bifurcation

Wonder if BBMP election will be held with 2024 Lok Sabha polls in a few months

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

FORMER BJP and Congress corporators are not happy with the draft bifurcation of wards from 198 to 225, released by the state government.

They also wondered if the corporation elections will be held anytime soon, especially when the 2024 parliamentary elections are round the corner.

Former corporators pointed out that ward bifurcation does not have much impact on the 100 wards in old Bengaluru limits, but it does have an impact on those on the city outskirts where there are high-rise structures and expansion continues to take place.

A former Congress corporator said, "My fellow corporators from the party say that due ward bifurcation there are little changes in ward boundaries, but in case of my ward, there is a huge difference. As per the new survey map, a large apartment complex has also got divided into two wards. Such a division will only create more confusion."

To address this issue and keep voters in good books, former corporators and party workers are conducting field exercises on behalf of citizens. They are also helping residents with required documents to strengthen their case while filing complaints or listing their suggestions before the additional chief secretary, Urban Development Department office, in Vidhana Soudha.

A former BJP corporator said the bifurcation has been done as per the 2011 census report and not the 2023 census report. Hence, there is a large imbalance on the ground. "If the government's calculation of 40,000 population in each ward is followed, then over 500 wards will be needed. The basis of the bifurcation is not correct and will create even more confusion."

Another BJP corporator said with the bifurcation, there is a difference of 4,000 voters and it is a clear sign of political tactic by the ruling government.

The corporators said corporation elections were not held in 1978- 83, then in 2006- 2010 and now from 2020. "Elections cannot be held till 2024 as parliamentary elections are round the corner. Congress does not have finances for administration, let alone elections, and BJP that has 17 MLAs also cannot risk it," said a former Congress corporator.

An official from the UDD office said objections are being received, but not in a large number as the government has insisted on handwritten and physical submission. The assessment of applications is yet to start.

ISRO RELEASES MOON'S TEMPERATURE PROFILE

PURAN CHOUDHARY @ Bengaluru

THE Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has released the first temperature profile of the lunar south pole after Chandrayaan-3 successfully landed on the Moon on August 23. The data comes just four days after the Vikram lander and Pragyaan rover touched down at the 'Shiv Shakti' point, named by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday.

Chandra's Surface Thermophysical Experiment (ChaSTE), one of the payloads onboard the Vikram lander, shared the first observations of the temperature on the lunar surface. The graph shared by ISRO showed the temperature variations on the Moon at various depths.

In a statement, ISRO said, "ChaSTE measures the temperature profile of the lunar topsoil around the pole, to understand the thermal behaviour of the Moon's surface. It has a temperature probe equipped with a controlled penetration mechanism capable of reaching a depth of 10 cm beneath the surface. The probe is fitted with 10 individual temperature sensors."

When TNIE spoke to one of the ISRO officials, he said this is new for scientists all around the world. "Space scientists so far have expected the temperature of the Moon to be around 20-30 degrees Celsius, but the

data recorded by ChaSTE shows the difference by a huge margin on the south pole as it reaches up to 60 degrees Celsius," he added.

"In terms of Earth when we record temperatures, the variation is only between 4 and 5 degrees Celsius, but on the lunar surface it is 10 times more as observed by the data," he said.

Releasing a graph on platform X, ISRO stated, "The presented graph illustrates the temperature variations of the lunar surface/near-surface at various depths, as recorded during the probe's penetration. This is the first such profile for the lunar south pole."

However these are just the initial reports and detailed observations are underway. According to officials, this is "food for thought for the scientific community."

The graph shows that the temperature at 8 cm (80 mm) depth into the Moon's surface drops to -10 degrees Celsius and at 6 cm (60 mm) depth, the temperature is around 5-10 degrees Celsius. A huge variation is seen at the lunar surface - topsoil (at the position of the ChaSTE) as 50 degrees Celsius.

ISRO Chairman S Somanath said that all systems and payloads are working well and the rover and lander are in good condition. With all the instruments being switched on, all the experiments should be performed successfully in the coming days, he added.

Earlier, the space agency said on X that of the three mission objectives of Chandrayaan-3, two have been successfully accomplished -- a demonstration of a safe soft landing on the lunar surface and a demonstration of a rover roving on the moon. The third objective -- conducting in-situ scientific experiments -- is underway.

RUN FOR A CAUSE

Women take part in a 'Saree Run' to highlight their strength and fitness, at Vijayanagar in Bengaluru on Sunday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

PG medical, dental mock results today

Bengaluru: The Karnataka Examinations Authority (KEA) will release the PG medical and dental mock results after 6 pm on Monday. "Colleges for PG medical and dental courses have submitted their revised fees. Candidates are advised to revisit the option entry portal and ascertain the fees," KEA said in a release. The authority has extended the option entry till 7.30 am on Thursday. ENS

Transforming teaching in state govt schools, NGO trains 10,200 teachers

PURAN CHOUDHARY @Bengaluru

TO help teachers impart knowledge better and simplify concepts, an NGO based out of Bengaluru is transforming the way teachers teach in government schools in the state.

Caring With Colours (CWC), a Manasi Kirloskar initiative, has trained over 10,200 teachers in Tumakuru and Ramanagar districts by introducing experiential learning in classrooms. Started in 2016, the NGO has made an impact on teachers teaching classes 4-7 in government schools. Focusing on English, maths and science, the organisation has collaborated with the education department to train teachers and has also developed Teachopia, an app for experiential learning that can be accessed free of cost in three languages -- English, Kannada and Urdu.

Rajeev Annaluru, CEO, of CWC, said, "We want to imbibe students with skills of the 21st century. Already the unemployment rate is high because skills needed for employment are very low in these young individuals." The traditional rote learning ideas needed to be developed in government schools to create joyful, experiential teaching methods, he added.

"Over 70% of children in India are studying in government schools, and most of their parents don't have time to focus on what or how their wards are understanding concepts. We wanted to focus on that," he said.

The NGO trains teachers online and offline. Every Saturday in Hobli centres teachers are invited and asked which chapters or sections of the textbooks are difficult to explain. The teacher-mentors then take them through a series of explanations and suggest no-cost-low-cost demonstration ideas that help teachers make their lesson plans easy and also make learning more fun for students.

Calling it the 'Tumakuru model', where 7,800 teachers have been trained across 3,280 schools in the district, and another 2,500 teachers in 1,200 government schools in Ramanagar, CWC aims to take it to every government school in the country.

Shashidahar, a science teacher in Tumakuru, said, "The training opened a new dimension for teachers to learn and teach. Activities and explaining through animation, and pre and post-tests on lessons pushed teachers to do better."

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DIET needs proper diet plan: Minister

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Shivamogga

TO make proper and efficient use of the resources at the District Institute of Education and Training (DIET) centres, the state government is planning to revamp and empower these centres across the state in the next two months, Primary and Secondary Education Minister Madhu S Bangarappa has said.

Speaking to media persons here on Sunday, Bangarappa said: "Most of the staff of the department prefers DIET only to relax. Presently, DIET centres are weak. We will give DIET a proper diet plan soon."

He felt that these centres were the think tank and the resources are now being wasted. The government is coming up with an action plan to make efficient use of the qualified staff at these centres, he said.

"If the qualified resources of DIET were not used properly, then its responsibilities lies on the previous government. Being a minister of the department, I have to ensure that they function well," the minister said.

Bangarappa said the decision to merge the schools with lesser number of students will be taken after holding talks with Chief Minister Siddaramaiah. "MLAs have suggested for merger of schools with fewer number of students. The issue will be discussed with senior officials," he said.

EXPRESS READ

G20 workshop to be held from Aug 29

Around 100 delegates from G20 member states, guests from invited countries, international organisations, line ministries and keynote speakers will take part in the G20 technical workshop on 'One Health – Opportunities & Challenges' between Tuesday and Thursday in Bengaluru. The workshop will be organised by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research, Department of Agricultural Research and Education and Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, India. The three-day event will culminate with key policy recommendations to the various challenges related to One Health. ENS

3,000 FREE WI-FI ZONES TO COME UP IN B'LURU: PRIYANK

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

IF everything goes according to plan, tech capital Bengaluru will have over 3,000 free wi-fi zones in the next few days and the project is expected to be extended to other parts of the state.

IT-BT Minister Priyank Kharge met Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar, who is also Bengaluru Development Minister, on Sunday and discussed the free wi-fi initiative. Kharge told The New Indian Express that his department is planning to approach and discuss the project with broadband providers and telecom companies. "The cost of the project for the government would almost be nil. Going by the geographical area, Bengaluru needs at least 3,000 such wi-fi spots," he said.

The project will be first introduced in highly dense areas like the market, metro station and bus stands. "As most services, including booking an auto, needs the internet, this initiative is expected to help the public," he said. Once Bengaluru is covered, it could be extended to various other districts.

In 2014 too, when Siddaramaiah was chief minister, a similar initiative had been taken up in Bengaluru and Kalaburagi, said Kharge, who was the IT-BT minister then too. The project had been launched on MG Road and a user was allowed three hours of free browsing with a downloadable data limit of 50 MB.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

28TH August : Welcome to another week. Many people talk about the Monday morning blues. Why they should I just don't know, for this is one of my favourite days. Traditionally it's special to the Moon, the planet which embodies care, compassion, security and the wise use of authority. That sounds good to me!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
Today's lively Moon plays a helpful role, encouraging you to make the most of your material circumstances, which could mean making a few shrewd financial judgements. Happily you should find it that much easier to charm other people, even to wrap them around your little finger.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
You will probably have a long way to go before you finally achieve a cherished goal, but that doesn't mean that you can't have instant success at least in little ways. The best means of impressing employers is to display a vast enthusiasm for the job!

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Your regular cycles are partly dictated by Mercury, which represents your best and brightest ideas and which, just now, happens to be in a particu-larly sensitive state. Every-one should know that you must be allowed to day-dream to your heart's content.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
Do yourself a favour and get to grips with business affairs before it's too late. Even your emotional contentment revolves around joint finan-cial arrangements, and a material tie could restrain your romantic happiness. That would do nobody any good, least of all you.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Today's lunar challenge to your sign suggests that partners may stand in opposition to your plans. You'll do best if you realise that criticism is not intended to wound, but does contain a germ of truth. Don't over-react, and do listen carefully.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
The general picture favours work and extra energy in all matters. The message is therefore to stick to the straight and narrow. As far as personal relationships are concerned, realise that good feeling can only be maintained if you put in sufficient effort.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
Please don't imagine that work and play are complete opposites. In fact, they're different sides of the same coin, and current indications are that work should be enjoyable and that leisure activities should require extra personal effort. That way lies a balanced and contented life!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
So much has happened in the home and family sphere that other people may be slightly confused or perplexed. You should the-refore make allowances for the fact that their view of the world may be very dif-ferent from yours. In other words, please don't jump to instant conclusions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Sometimes you just have to come clean. This is a very useful moment indeed to say exactly what you feel, especially if family members have been burying their heads in the sand. At work, it's naturally also a very good time for interviews and applications, so prepare your case with care.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
You need to dig deep to find the answer to all today's questions. The distant murmur of complaints about this and that may be beginning to irritate you, but try putting yourself in a partner's position so you can see exactly how they feel. And don't miss the point!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
The Moon is especially active today, enhancing your control over contemporary events. You may therefore put your foot down at home and bring family members - and anyone else you live with - into line. But will they take any notice? That's another question!

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
You may like to keep yourself to yourself today, and why not! Other people, especially those related to you, should learn to respect your privacy, and wait until you are ready to reveal your true intentions. When you talk, your words will be se-rious and well-considered.

Solutions to Saturday's puzzle

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	5			4	8			6
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8			3			4	5	
	3				6			
9			8				1	

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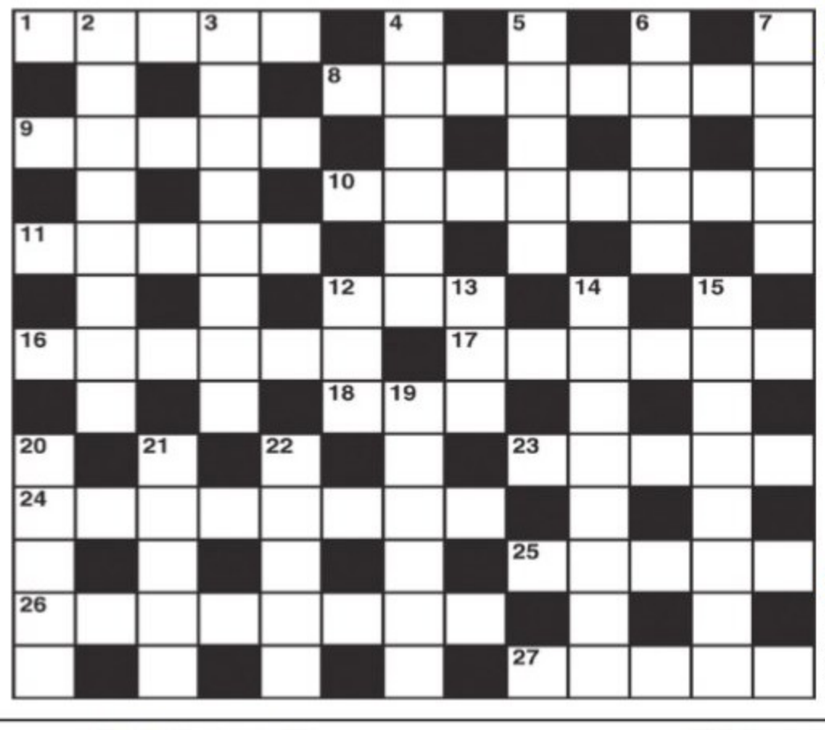
1	7	6	2	9	5	4	3	8
8	5	3	1	7	4	9	6	2
4	2	9	8	3	6	5	1	7
5	9	8	3	6	1	7	2	4
6	1	7	4	5	2	8	9	3
3	4	2	9	8	7	1	5	6

SUDOKU HARD

TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.



CROSS WORD

ACROSS
1 A game on board for animals (5)
8 Perverted anti-mass in devil worship (8)
9 He gets carried away (5)
10 Vessel of ten crossing the bar (8)
11 I do it when playing the fool (5)
12 It was somewhat unsound currency (3)
16 A strike in work on the dam (6)
17 She's in the dumps and rather disconsolate (6)
18 Excellent service (3)
23 A portion of rhubarb jam (5)
24 Taken ill (8)
25 Understood it's in oak now; not pine (5)
26 Done - to death? (8)
27 Vessel going from side to side (5)

DOWN
2 Abel may get a bronze medal (5,3)
3 Note about illustrious French city (8)
4 A cough mixture for an Argentinian cowboy (6)
5 Carry on playing for the club (5)
6 They move around in pride (5)
7 Unlikely to be outwitted or feel pain (5)
12 Spain - but not in spring (3)
13 Sue changes employment (3)
14 An occasion of exemplary significance (8)
15 Conflict in which counter charges may be decisive (5,3)
19 The yarn has a barbaric ring to it (6)
20 Tidy writer keeps a note (5)
21 A serpent in French, a tree in English (5)
22 A French fee that's excessive (5)

SATURDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Childishly, 6 Taps, 10 Basin, 11 Blowing up, 12 Fine arts, 13 Homer, 15 Oeuvres, 17 Transit, 19 Elector, 21 Holdall, 22 Tudor, 24 Socrates, 27 Orchestra, 28 Moose, 29 Lays, 30 Valentines.

Down: 1 Cuba, 2 Institute, 3 Dense, 4 Suburbs, 5 Looks at, 7 Algum, 8 Separately, 9 Highball, 14 Honest toil, 16 Retorted, 18 Shakedown, 20 Rosetta, 21 Hectare, 23 Decay, 25 Admit, 26 Mess.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

LAUDO
SREPS
TOMBTO
PTOLEP

I hate to say this, but we need to redo the last outfit. The lighting was wrong.
No big deal. Let me change.
You are always great to work with. You're such a pro.
6/30
ASKING THE EASY-GOING FASHION MODEL TO DO A RESHOOT DIDN'T ---
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Saturday's Jumbles: WOUND BLURT PEACHY ZEALOT
Answer: The home they viewed needed more work than they thought, which didn't — "ABODE" WELL

A civic activist, Nithyanand Volakad, performed 'urulu seve' at the Koragajja shrine in Udupi on Sunday, praying for justice to Soujanya, who was raped and murdered in Belthangady 11 years ago. He demanded that the truth behind the girl's murder must come out and the intervention of divine power is necessary. Hence, he performed this ritual of rolling on the ground around the shrine seeking justice to the victim's family

SCARY ROADS: BENGALURU SEES 501 FATAL ACCIDENTS IN 8 MONTHS

Factors include overspeeding, reckless driving, lack of traffic awareness, and drunk driving

RISHITA KHANNA @ Bengaluru

ON August 18, a 79-year-old man died after a private company shuttle bus hit him while waiting at the signal. He was on his way to meet his friends, when the incident took place in Banashankari police limits.

In another incident on August 16, a four-year-old girl died on the spot when she and her father, riding on a two-wheeler came under the wheels of a BMTC bus in Kumarswamy traffic police limits.

That is not all. Recent data from Bengaluru traffic police showed that 501 people have died and 2,598 suffered injuries in road accidents, from January 2023 to August 20, 2023. The data also recorded 3,099 road accidents in the city this year, for the said period. In 2022, the city had seen 3,822 accidents which killed 752 people. Data assessment shows a rise in the average number of accidents and deaths.

While traffic experts said that over speeding, lack of awareness, and even the number of potholes in the city are the reasons for accidents, citizens said that lack of police presence and increasing traffic violations is at the root of the increasing accidents and fatalities.

Media and institutions have a crucial role in raising awareness regarding traffic rules and safety precautions. Citizens should remain conscious of their driving speed.

Bengaluru Traffic Police

"In the August 16 case, where a child died, the bus was speeding in the wrong direction. Similarly on August 17, a woman was hit by a over-speeding vehicle died in the accident. There were no traffic police officials on ground," said the people.

Instead of answering the question of why there is a rise in road accidents and what needs to be done to address the issue, a Bengaluru traffic police inspector said, "Media and institutions have a crucial role in raising awareness regarding traffic rules and safety precautions. Cases vary based on factors such as over speeding, reckless driving and driving under the influence of alcohol. Ultimately citizens should remain conscious of their driving speed." Emphasizing the importance of self-discipline, the inspector also highlighted that the traffic police department was conducting 'Safe Route to School' programme, a community effort in partnership with the education and transport departments, to enhance student and pedestrian safety.

He also added that they have implemented AI-generated devices to detect over-speeding vehicles, and have also increased the number of ambulances to cater to emergencies. "Recognizing that over speeding is more prevalent in the city outskirts, we have strategically placed W-type barricades along turns to help manage speed," he added.

FATAL ACCIDENT CASES REGISTERED BY BENGALURU TRAFFIC POLICE

	FATAL			NON-FATAL		
MONTHS	2021	2022	2023	2021	2022	2023
January	57	64	76	246	218	356
February	52	46	58	259	211	311
March	72	64	66	253	292	330
April	48	55	58	198	263	299
May	29	84	69	96	244	306
June	39	59	65	167	242	360
July	57	66	67	205	267	365
August	54	62	42 (till Aug 20)	234	245	271 (till August 20)
September	54	61	...	239	262	...
October	39	62	...	242	249	...
November	50	72	...	226	273	...
December	70	57	...	227	304	...

DGP CID M A Saleem flags off a car rally organised by Surgical Society of Bangalore ASICC, to create awareness on road safety, in front of Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru on Sunday | EXPRESS

More than 1.5 lakh people die in road accidents in India: Saleem

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

"EVERY year, more than 1.5 lakh people are losing their lives in road accidents in India. Over six lakh people are left crippled to struggle their entire life, due to injuries suffered in road accidents," said M A Saleem, Director General of Police (DGP), Criminal Investigation Department, Economic Offences and Special Units.

He was speaking after flagging off a car rally from Vidhana Soudha to Nandi Hills on Sunday. The rally was organised as part of the 50th anniversary of the Surgical Society of Bangalore to create awareness on road accidents.

Saleem further said that many people die in road accidents as they do not wear helmets or seat belts, they over-speed, or drive under the influence of alcohol. He called upon people to take utmost care while driving.

He also said that it is not easy to lead a normal life with disabilities caused due to road accidents.

Dr Venkatesh from the Surgical Society of Bangalore said, "If the public follow traffic rules properly, there will be no road accidents. Every life is important and people are playing with their lives by driving irresponsibly.

MONEY LAUNDERING CASE

ED attaches properties worth ₹5.87 cr of firms linked to gambling

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE Enforcement Directorate (ED) has taken a decisive step in curbing illegal online betting and gambling activities by provisionally attaching movable properties worth Rs 5.87 crore.

These assets were identified as balances in various bank accounts of individuals and entities involved in this unlawful activity, all under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002.

The ED's investigation into the matter was initiated following an FIR filed at the Viveknagar police station. The complaint was lodged by the Directorate General of Goods and Services Tax Intelligence (DGGI) office, alleging deep involvement of numerous companies in illegal online gambling, betting, and suspicious activities.

The accused, identified as Umar Farooq and Shymala N, reportedly used false documents to establish multiple companies. The HR manager of these companies had illicitly purchased numerous SIM cards and connected them to various bank accounts for facilitating online transactions.

The multiple entities, including Rockstar Interactive, Indie World Studio, Falcon Entertainment Agencies, The Next Level Technology, Rift Gamer Technologies, Reality Code Technology, Tenes Solutions, Electronic Virtual Solutions, Zazago Systems, Zynga Interactive, Whale Bytes Technology, Iobitcode Interactive Agency, Oculus Valve Entertainment and Nestra Web Solutions, were systematically established with the intent to fool the public.

These groups engaged in fraudulent activities by collecting funds under the disguise of betting and gambling. They operated through websites, such as Bestartech, Khelo24bet, and Betinexchange.

Further investigation is on.

Bride spots BF during wedding, refuses to tie knot with groom

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Tumakuru

IN a peculiar incident, a bride made a volte-face by refusing to get the 'mangalasutra' tied by the bridegroom at her wedding at Kolala town in Koratagere on Sunday. The bride is said to be in love with another man, who was also present at the wedding.

The girl's sudden move shocked the guests present at the wedding, besides the groom, his family, relatives and friends.

A complaint was lodged with the police, who intervened and convinced the groom not to insist on going ahead with the marriage against the wishes of the bride.

The bride is said to be in love with a boy for some years against the wishes of her family members.

Muhurtham mess

But she was engaged to the groom - Venkatesh of Doddaballapura - three months ago.

Everything seemed to be going well and the wedding reception too went off smoothly on Saturday evening. But when the 'muhurtham' time arrived, the bride suddenly changed her mind after spotting her boyfriend at the venue, according to sources.

Sources said the family members have now agreed to decide on another date for the wedding.

Both families had invested heavily in arranging the wedding ceremony, which has gone to waste.

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NOTICE

All the members of the society are hereby informed that, the 58th Annual General Meeting of the society for the Year 2022-2023 will be held on Sunday the 03rd September 2023 at 10.00 A.M. at No.554-569, Poornaprajna Amitha Commercial Complex, Opp. To Suvarna Bhavan, Uttarahalli-Kengeri Main Road, Poornaprajnanagar, Bengaluru –560 061 under the chairmanship of Sri Hayagreevachar, President of the Society. The meeting notice is already dispatched to all the members by post. Also uploaded on website: agm.poornaprajnahbcs.com. Those members who have not received the Notice through post, can treat this paper publication as Notice for the AGM and attend the Annual general Meeting. Members can collect the soft copy of Annual report at society office during the office hours by producing Identity Card issued by the Society. You may also login to society website for viewing / downloading annual report of the society. Members who have not obtained the Identitiy card from the society, may collect the same by bringing 3 passport size photos during Office hours. Members who have not registered the name of their nominee in the share ledger, may kindly be registered the name immediately.

As per the amended provisions of the KCS Act and as per amendment to the Byelaws of the society, (a) share value has been increased from Rs.100=00 to Rs.1000=00 from 2014-15. (b) Member have to attend Two AGM out of the last Five AGM. If they fail, they shall not have the right to vote at a General meeting or an election of the members of the Board or contest for election. In this connection the society had sent several circulars on different dates and also had given the paper publication requesting the members to pay the differencial share amount and to attend the AGM right from 2014-15. Those who have not paid the differencial share amount, may please pay the amount immediately. Shortly the Share Certificate will be issued at the registerd office of the society. The intimation in this respect will be sent to members.

All the members are requested to attend the meeting of 58th Annual General Meeting of the society scheduled on 03.09.2023 at 10.00 am without fail.

By Order of the Board
Sd/-
(L.NANJAPPA)
CEO

Place : Bangalore
Date : 25.08.2023

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR SALE BY E-AUCTION

Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rules 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the below mentioned Borrower(s), Co-Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described secured assets being immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, Pegasus Assets Reconstruction Private Limited acting in its capacity asTrustee of **Pegasus Group Thirty Four Trust – 1 (Pegasus),** having been assigned the debts of the below mentioned Borrower along with underlying securities interest by NKGSB CO.OP. Bank Limited vide Assignment Agreement dated **26/03/2019** under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, are being sold under the provisions of SARFAESI Act and Rules thereunderon "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis.

The Authorized Officer of Pegasus has taken physical possession of the below described secured assets being immovable propertyon 07/01/2023 under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act and Rules thereunder.

THE SALE / AUCTION IS THE DETAILS OF AUCTION ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Name of the Borrower(s), Co-Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s):	A) Mr. Y V Srinivasa (Borrower/ Guarantor) B) Mrs. Madhumitha B S (Co-Borrower)
Outstanding Dues for which the secured assets are being sold:	**Rs.2,12,73,051.90** (Rupees Two CroresTwelve Lakhs Seventy ThreeThousand And Fifty One And Ninety Paise Only) as on 16/08/2023plus interest at the contractual rate and costs, charges and expenses thereon w.e.f. 17/08/2023 till the date of payment and realization.
Details of Secured Asset being Immovable Property which is beingsold	All that Residential property bearing Site No. 614, Khatha No. 2114, 4th Block, Karnataka Government Class "D" Employees House Building Co-op Society Limited, Survey No. 23, Lingadeeranahalli Village, Yeshwanthapur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk and **Bounded by: East By :** Site No: 571, **West By :** 30 Feet Wide Road, **North By :** Site No : 615, **South By :** Site No : 613 Area: Land – 1215 Square Feet , Building – 2126 Square Feet Mortgaged by Srinivasa Y V
CERSAI ID:	**Security Interest ID: 400010480006** **Asset ID: 200010459531**
Reserve Price below which the Secured Asset will not be sold. (in Rs.):	**1,05,51,870/-**
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in Rs.	**10,55,187/-**
Claims, if any, which have been put forward against the property and any other dues known to Secured creditor and value	**Not Known**
Inspection of Properties	**11/09/2023**
Contact Person and Phone No	**1) Vishal Kumar Shukla Mobile No: 9591103226** **2) Bhaskar Sarat Turaga Mobile No: 9880020533** **3) Shankar Balasubramanian Mobile No: 8056178676** **4) Vivek Arayakat Mobile No: 9962229588**
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Name of the Borrower(s), Co-Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s):	**A) Mr. Ryan Conrad Mazumdar(Borrower/ Guarantor)** B) Mrs. Tarina Basu(Co-Borrower)
Outstanding Dues for which the secured assets are being sold:	**Rs.2,59,20,773.19** (Rupees Two CroresFiftyNine Lakhs Twenty Thousand Seven Hundred And Seventy Three And Nineteen Paise Only) as on 23/08/2023plus interest at the contractual rate and costs, charges and expenses thereon w.e.f. 24/08/2023 till the date of payment and realization.
Details of Secured Asset being Immovable Property which is beingsold	All that Residential Flat No.203, 2nd floor, Imperial Navkis Celeste, Mathikere, Bangalore-560054 with built up area of 2201 Square Feet (Area: 2201 Square Feet), **Bounded By: North** : Private property, **South** : 35 Feet Tar Road, **East** : Private property, **West** : Private property. Mortgaged byMr. Ryan Conrad Mazumdar.
CERSAI ID:	**Security Interest ID: 400009516126** **Asset ID: 200009499147**
Reserve Price below which the Secured Asset will not be sold. (in Rs.):	**1,33,71,084/-**
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in Rs.	**13,37,108.40**
Claims, if any, which have been put forward against the property and any other dues known to Secured creditor and value	**Not Known**
Inspection of Properties	**01/09/2023**
Contact Person and Phone No	**1) Vishal Kumar Shukla Mobile No: 9591103226** **2) Bhaskar Sarat Turaga Mobile No: 9880020533** **3) Shankar Balasubramanian Mobile No: 8056178676** **4) Vivek Arayakat Mobile No: 9962229588**
Last date for submission of Bid:	**14/09/2023 till 4:00 pm**
Time and Venue of Bid Opening	**E-Auction/Bidding through website (https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net) on 15/09/2023 11.00 AM to 1:00 PM.**

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Name of the Borrower(s), Co-Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s):	**A) Mr. Sumanth Ramanna(Borrower)** **B)** Mrs. Harini Kumari KS(Co-Borrower) **C)** Mr.MunigorappaRamanna(Borrower/ Guarantor)
Outstanding Dues for which the secured assets are being sold:	**Rs.3,89,98,507.91** (Rupees Three Crores EightyNine Lakhs Ninety Eight Thousand Five Hundred And Seven And Ninety One Paise Only) as on 16/08/2023plus interest at the contractual rate and costs, charges and expenses thereon w.e.f. 17/08/2023till the date of payment and realization.
Details of Secured Asset being Immovable Property which is beingsold	All that Factory Premises Bearing Nos. 64, 65, 66, 67 & 68, Asst No.54, Katha No. 53, Vasanthapura Village, UttarahalliHobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore – 560078, Area: Plot – 9000 Square Feet Building – 3360 Square Feet and **bounded by : East :** Road, **West :** Private Property, **North :** Road, **South :** Private Property Mortgaged by Mr. Munigorappa Ramanna
CERSAI ID:	**Security Interest ID: 400023196176** **Asset ID: 200023146356**
Reserve Price below which the Secured Asset will not be sold. (in Rs.):	**4,09,50,000/-**
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in Rs.	**40,95,000/-**
Claims, if any, which have been put forward against the property and any other dues known to Secured creditor and value	**Not Known**
Inspection of Properties	**11/09/2023**
Contact Person and Phone No	**1) Vishal Kumar Shukla Mobile No: 9591103226** **2) Bhaskar Sarat Turaga Mobile No: 9880020533** **3) Shankar Balasubramanian Mobile No: 8056178676** **4) Vivek Arayakat Mobile No: 9962229588**
Last date for submission of Bid:	**29/09/2023 till 4:00 pm**
Time and Venue of Bid Opening	**E-Auction/Bidding through website (https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net) on 30/09/2023 11.00 AM to 1:00 PM.**

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THE SALE/AUCTION IS THE DETAILS OF AUCTION ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Name of the Borrower(s), Co-Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s):	**A) M/s. Arfa Meraj Trading Company(Borrower)** B) M/s.HKGN And Company(Co-Borrower) C) Mr. Javeedulla Khan(Co-Borrower / Guarantor) D) Smt. Shazia Sultana(Co-Borrower / Guarantor)
Outstanding Dues for which the secured assets are being sold:	**Rs.3,67,77,883.82** (Rupees Three CroresSixtySevenLakhs Seventy Seven Thousand Eight Hundred And Eighty Three And Eighty Two Paisa Only) as on 24/08/2021 plus interest at the contractual rate and costs, charges and expenses thereon w.e.f. 25/08/2021till the date of payment and realization.
Details of Secured Asset being Immovable Property which is beingsold	All that Flat Bearing No.: B – 003, having a super built up area of 3500 Square Feet SBU in the building known as "Govianu Grace Garden" Katha PID No. 92/31/2 formed in Property No. 8, New No.2, Benson Road, Benson Town, Bangalore,and **boundaries: East by:** Gate way for the approach, **West by:** Private Property, **North by:** Private Property, **South by:** Common Passage Mortgaged by Mr. Javeedulla Khan and Smt. Shazia Sultana.
CERSAI ID:	**Security Interest ID: 400032529856** **Asset ID: 200032476596**
Reserve Price below which the Secured Asset will not be sold. (in Rs.):	**2,98,45,125/-**
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in Rs.	**29,84,512.50**
Claims, if any, which have been put forward against the property and any other dues known to Secured creditor and value	**Not Known**
Inspection of Properties	**01/09/2023**
Contact Person and Phone No	**1) Vishal Kumar Shukla Mobile No: 9591103226** **2) Bhaskar Sarat Turaga Mobile No: 9880020533** **3) Shankar Balasubramanian Mobile No: 8056178676** **4) Vivek Arayakat Mobile No: 9962229588**
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PWD Minister Satish Jarkiholi on Sunday said the time is right to launch a detailed inquiry into the misappropriation of funds and the 40% commission charge, allegedly involving the previous BJP government. "When we were in the Opposition during the BJP government, we pressured that government to inquire into the misuse of funds during the pandemic. Now, our government is in power, thus it is the right time to conduct the inquiry. Various investigating agencies have already started their work. Action will be taken against the guilty," he said

THE GAMES THAT WE LOST...

BIG PICTURE

NAUSHAD BIJAPUR @ Belagavi

WITH the advent of technology and virtual world, besides the huge popularity and commercial value a few of the games like cricket and football have been able to gain at an unprecedented scale in the country, the face of Indian sports has changed drastically in recent years. Not merely a large number of rural and traditional games vanished in thin air, but the popularity of many of the famous and valued Indian games lost their sheen with the invasion of smartphones and cricket in the country.

The people of the last two generations would strike into a stage of nostalgia at the mention of the popular traditional games like Lagori, Kho-Kho, Gilli Danda, Carrom, Marbles, Luka Chupi (hide and seek), Chess, Teen Pathi, Langdi, etc., but the present-generation kids have not experienced the bliss of these classical and popular games of yesteryear.

With cricket overnight turning the fortunes of youth playing the game, most other outdoor games too are dying fast. With the over-indulgence of the rich and wealthy in cricket, it has now become a different ball game. As a result of the enormous money and fame which only cricket could give them quick and fast, the game has obviously become the best choice for children and youth aspiring to shape their career in sports.

While cricket halted the pace of most Indian outdoor and indoor games, the popularity of virtual gaming has pushed most classical games to the brink of extinction. Many netizens feel virtual games played on smartphones are so addictive that people of all ages are getting attracted to them. "We enjoyed playing many traditional rural games with family around earlier, but got attracted to internet gaming of late. It is impossible to imagine a revival of the classical Indian games in the future, given the popularity of virtual games," says well-known playwright, DS Chougale, from Belagavi.

The government and local leaders, however, should try to promote traditional games through plays in rural segments. More plays on the advantages and benefits of rural games should be produced and staged at regular intervals, he adds.

Several sports strategists say it could be difficult to revive the traditional rural games, but some other famous Indian games could certainly be revived by giving them a modern touch.

Shivanand Gunjal, a sportsman of international repute who has participated in several international events including the Indian cricket team for the physically challenged and many other teams for the differently abled, says, "The government and sports administration should take the initiative for the survival of all rural Indian games. Sports persons should feel that they will be able to achieve and gain popularity if they take up that particular sport. Steps should be taken to make the games popular by adopting modern technology. Efforts should start from the grassroots to promote Indian games."

Deputy Director of Department of Youth Services Srinivas says, "Several Indian games that are popular but yet losing their steam are getting a big boost with the use of technology. Just like cricket gained popularity with the technology used in the game, we have been able to give a similar touch to several Indian games like kho kho and kabaddi in recent years."

He says rural sports persons are largely getting involved in kho kho after the game got a modern touch. "We are playing the higher-level kho kho events on mats. The game also is being played on mud at some level, but attempts are being made to make it more popular. A large number of sportspersons from rural areas are taking to this sport of late. Kabaddi too has gone to a different level because of its popularity. We should take up similar experiments to popularise other traditional games which are getting extinct," he adds.

One district, one sport: Minister

Sports and Youth Services Minister B Nagendra tells *The New Indian Express* that the government is planning to launch "one district one sports" initiative to give a boost to sports in Karnataka. One particular sport will be encouraged and given wide publicity in each district. "We will include both traditional and non-traditional sports including rural sports," he says. The government will then organise state and national-level competitions, he adds.

Asked about many traditional sports dying, Nagendra says he also has plans to organise region-wise sports meets at rural places. This will be done by the Sports Department in association with the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj and Education Departments. The idea is to encourage local sports, he adds.

Marbles, swing games, a thing of the past

Playing games with marbles was hugely popular in North Karnataka, but it has totally vanished today. In marble games, players would flick their marble with their fingers and the one reaching the target would be the winner. Carrom was played as a serious game with bets placed earlier but it is now played just for fun.

Serious competitions were earlier held in swing games, especially during Nag Panchami festival. Swing games were popular among girls and women, and swings used to be tied to giant trees. But these days, you hardly see anybody playing on swings.

DK was home to many classical games

Chennemane or Chenneda Mane were among popular indoor games of Dakshina Kannada. Former president of Tulu Sahitya Academy and Daivaradhane exponent, Dayananda G Kathalsar, says, "A Chennemane game goes on for hours and has features similar to chess. It helps develop IQ. It helped families bond with each other. The game is played with seeds (Chennedakai or Manjotti) of coral tree (Ponge) and 'Mane' represents a wooden rectangular board."

Another indoor game Kaddida Aata, which was popular earlier, is played using coconut leaf sticks. The sticks are broken into pieces and balanced on a single stick. Another popular game is 'Gundu kallu' or 'Kallata' for which round shaped stones are used.

Among outdoor games, Lagori, or popularly known as 'Gori Aata' in Dakshina Kannada, is played using broken tiles, while Jibli – a local version of hopscotch is played with a broken tile on the ground. A few other traditional local games are 'Palli Kattune', 'Buguri', 'Tappangai', 'Kutti-Donne', 'Shakti Kallu' etc which are long forgotten. Kambala or the buffalo race is getting popular now. Cock fight (Kori Katta) is also a popular folk sport in the district. "We need to preserve all these traditional sports of Dakshina Kannada and it needs to be introduced in schools and colleges," Kathalsar adds.

Shivamogga's traditional games a memory now

Two indoor games widely popular in rural areas of Shivamogga district were Aligulimane or Channe mane and Chowkabara. Aliguli Mane or Channe mane was played by people of all age groups and especially in rural areas.

"Aligulimane used to be played during summer vacation when grandchildren and those staying away from their villages would return home. It was fun and mathematical skill too was involved in it," says Khandobarao, a numismatist and historian.

Channa mane or Aliguli mane is played with a wooden block with seven holes in it. Its concept is sowing and reaping – significant presence in rural areas across South Karnataka.

All kinds of seeds -- Gulaganji (seeds of coral wood or redwood), Hunase Beeja (tamarind seeds) and custard apple – were used in the game. The wooden block has two rows with seven holes each and the game begins with five seeds in each hole.

When the game starts, a player picks up all the seeds from one of the holes and distributes them into subsequent holes one by one anti-clockwise. After the last counter was dropped into the hole, the contest of the following hole was distributed in the next lane. The move of the first player ends when the following hole is empty and it is termed as 'Piggy'. If the hole is empty, the player captures the seeds of any of the succeeding holes. In addition he captures the seeds of the hole opposite to that hole. Then the next player starts his game.

A player has a chance to move twice. If he captures in his first move, then his term ends after two piggys.

Traditional games of Udupi now limited to fairs, festivals

Various traditional sports, like 'tonka', 'kutti donne' 'berchendu', 'tappangayi' and others, were played in these parts just a few decades ago. But with the advent of on-screen games, these traditional games are nowadays organised only during temple fairs and festivals.

'Tappangayi', considered village rugby, requires physical strength, endurance and skillful tactics, where people try to snatch a coconut from the hands of a holder. This game was popular in rural parts. But it is hardly ever played in the last decade or two. In Tonka, a player has to jump on one leg to catch people running about in a specified, limited area.

Kutti donne or gilli danda was played widely in rural areas. In the game, a player uses a stick to hit bail and when the bail is in the air it is hit again with great force. In Berchendu, or 'pilchandi', a player tries to hit a person with a ball, while it is left to the deftness of the other to dodge it.

"All these games should be revived to connect the younger generation with the culture and tradition of the land. Some rural sports are played at the school level, but there are a number of forgotten games," says Manjunath Nittur, a school teacher in Udupi.

Unique games of Madikeri going extinct

"The indoor games in our times were created from things available in the kitchen and home. The Chennamane board game was among the top. Games played with 'kavade' (shells), marbles or buguri (top) or the outdoor 'chinni dandu' are no longer remembered or played," rues Rajalakshmi, an octogenarian from Madikeri.

She still owns a few indoor board games of the yesteryear and remembers all the rules. "But with mobile phones, no one is interested in these games anymore. Also, the games are not part of the curriculum in schools," she adds.

P Nanda, who has served as a physical trainer at several schools and is currently the football coach at YMCA, says 'desi' sports have failed to survive in this highly urbanised era. "Nearly a decade ago, students used to play several 'desi' sports, including lagori, skipping and kho kho. In Kodagu, several enthusiasts tried to bring lagori into the mainstream. But it was not possible and almost all desi games have vanished. Currently, cricket, football, hockey, throwball and badminton are among the top sports promoted in schools," he adds.

Outdoor games losing popularity in Kolar

Former BGML employee and a noted kabaddi player Dakshina Murthy says the craze that sportspersons had earlier to practice outdoors has gone today. Kho kho and kabaddi that were extremely popular among the people of Kolar were played actively earlier. But with the advent of technology and smartphones, youngsters have lost interest in outdoor games and taken to internet gaming, he says. He urges the government to help revive the games that are getting extinct, and also advises youngsters to practice sports to keep themselves fit.

Inputs from: Ashwini M Sripad, Mallikarjun Hiremath, Prajna GR, Prakash Samaga, Divya Coutinho, Ramachandra Gunari, Prakash Samaga, Sakthi.

LACK OF RAIN

FARMERS IN LAKSHMESHWAR TURN TO DRAINAGE WATER, TANKERS TO SAVE CROPS

Farmers use water tankers to irrigate their crops in Gadag district | EXPRESS

RAGHOTTAM KOPPAR @ Gadag

FARMERS in Lakshmeshwar and other parts of Gadag are using water tankers, stagnant water on the roadside and drainage water to save their crops. There has been no rain for the last one month in this region, resulting in crops drying up due to water scarcity. Hence, only some farmers who can afford water tankers are availing the same, while those who cannot are forced to use pumpsets to draw water from drains. Farmers had sown onion, groundnut, cotton, chilly, and green gram crops, which stare at the risk of drying up with no water in sight.

Used water from Lakshmeshwar makes its way through a large drain towards the town's outskirts, and many farmers can be seen drawing water from here through pumpsets to irrigate their crops. Farmers are also seen utilising standing water from ponds for the same. They say the water tankers have become costly, requiring them to cough up thousands of rupees to have water supplies to their crops. To feed water to even one acre of land, they have to spend near Rs 4,000, which becomes uneconomical. Hence, only a few wealthier farmers are resorting to this option.

The Gadag taluk and a few other parts received rain in the last one month, but Lakshmeshwar and some parts of Shirahatti taluk failed to. This made the farmers desparate, forcing them to use any sources of water they could find. Tanker owners too have hiked prices to Rs 400-500 per water load, citing demand increase. If the farms are far from the town, tanker owners tend to charge more. "The crops are drying up due to water scarcity. We have not received any rain for the last 30 days and all of us are struggling hard to get water through ponds and drains. Some farmers are also lifting water from standing water sources. We have not faced such a situation earlier. Tanker owners are also charging more," said Sharanu Goudar, a farmer from Lakshmeshwar.

An official from the Gadag Agriculture Department said, "farmers from Lakshmeshwar and some regions are struggling to save their crops. Our officials have visited some farms and advised the farmers to use sprinklers or drip irrigation methods in farming. Farmers can contact their nearest agriculture office for assistance."

Not too late, cloud seeding can still be done, says expert

BANSY KALAPPA @ Bengaluru

WHILE the grim spectre of drought in 120 taluks is staring at the state, cloud seeding expert Capt Arvind Sharma said that cloud seeding can be one solution that can still be considered despite the advanced stage of monsoon.

It is late in the day to start, but there is still hope left as in Cauvery basin areas, especially in Bengaluru Urban and Rural districts, the south west monsoon yields rain for the next one month. After that, north east monsoon will bring rain in October and November. If cloud seeding is taken up now, there will still be three months of rain in certain parts, he said.

Agriculture Minister Chaluvaraya Swamy spoke about cloud seeding when the rain was delayed in June, but no progress was made after that.

Capt Sharma has been part of the cloud seeding exercise since 2003 when then minister HK Patil tried it. Capt Sharma said it would cost Rs 5 crore as the material used is common salt and it is not expensive. The other important ingredient is fuel for the aircraft and the aircraft rentals in addition to labour.

But former secretary to the minor irrigation department, Rudraiah, told TNIE, "There is one problem with cloud seeing, which is quantifying the actual yield after the procedure. If it rains, some claim it is because of cloud seeding, while others say it is normal rain. It has been used even in the past, but its yield could not be established accurately."

Farmers and farmer groups have complained that precipitation in Karnataka has only been a fraction of the annual average. But meteorological department experts said that monsoon usually lasts till September-end, and till then, no one can say whether it has failed. The India Meteorological Department has predicted rain in the coming days.

IISc Atmospheric Sciences Prof Prosenjit Ghosh, speaking to *The News Indian Express* over phone from Austin, Texas, in the US, said, "It is surface temperature contrast that modifies wind strength. It is not enough this year. ENSO (El Niño-Southern Oscillation) might be responsible for such a pattern, which led to large-scale drought in 1997."

Siddu govt turns 100 days

DKS, Parameshwara seek divine intervention

ENS @ Bengaluru

AS the Congress government completed 100 days on Sunday, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah said the government is taking the path of equality. The government that was formed with a desire to reach the last person of society is celebrating its centenary, he added.

Siddaramaiah, his deputy DK Shivakumar and eight ministers took oath on May 20. The chief minister, in a series of posts on X, stated, "In the last assembly elections, the voters of our state placed their trust and confidence in us. We won in 135 seats forming strong secure government with full majority. We are making good use of this opportunity and trying to work for people, making sincere efforts to fulfill their expectations."

The CM said that along with the implementation of guarantees and development projects, his government is leading the country on the path of equality shown by philosophers like Buddha, Basava, Ambedkar, Kuvempu, Kanakadasa, Narayana Guru and others. "Our journey has started with the hope of reaching the people at the fringes of the society through government programs," he posted.

Deputy CM DK Shivakumar said the last 100 days have been fruitful as the government's pro-people works are visible through their five guarantee schemes. He told reporters that the government has hit a century and is counting. He said, "Women are travelling free of cost, over 1.10 crore women heads of families will get Rs 2,000 per month from August 30 as the government is launching Gruha Lakshmi scheme, 1.41 crore people are getting free power up to 200 units, 1.36 crore people are getting free rice and by December, the unemployed youth will get their allowance."

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @ Bengaluru

EVEN as Chief Minister Siddaramaiah was at his hometown Mysuru, overseeing the preparations for the launch of Gruha Lakshmi scheme, Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar and Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara sought divine blessings on Sunday as the government completed 100 days.

The ruling party has planned grand celebrations on August 30 when Wayanad MP Rahul Gandhi will launch the Gruha Lakshmi scheme.

Sources said Shivakumar and Parameshwara visited religious places in their own interest and for the welfare of the government. It is said that the priests performed certain rituals for the two to get the top post in the state.

Shivakumar was at Kadasiddeshwara Mutt near Tiptur, while Parameshwara and his wife Kannika Parameshwari visited Kodi Mutt in Hassan, which is popular for its political predictions. The couple visited Kadasiddeshwara Mutt sometime ago, as certain politicians believe it to be powerful.

Shivakumar, a devotee of Kadasiddeshwara Mutt, took the oath in the name of the mutt deity Gangadhara 'Ajjaiah' when he was sworn in as DyCM.

"I feel energised whenever I visit this mutt. You must have seen what happened to those contractors who wanted me to take oath on Ajjaiah (on the 15 per cent commission allegation against him to release funds under BBMP). They took the name of Ajjaiah, but soon made a U-turn and this is the power of Ajjaiah," he claimed.

Tiptur Congress MLA K Shadakshari wished that 'Ajjaiah' fulfills Shivakumar's desire of becoming chief minister in the present tenure.

When the priests chanted that Shivakumar become chief minister, he reacted sharply, asking them to pray just for the Congress government for completing 100 days. At Kodi Mutt, too, the priests prayed that Parameshwara become chief minister.

Cooperation Minister KN Rajanna recently stated that Parameshwara should become chief minister. It gave rise to speculation that there might be a change in guard in the government and the chief minister's post, either after the Lok Sabha polls or after two-and-half years, a Congress leader said. But Siddaramaiah's supporters will strongly back him to complete five years, he added.

In the last assembly elections, the voters of our state placed their trust and confidence in us. We won in 135 seats forming strong secure government with full majority

Siddaramaiah, Chief Minister

A group of unemployed youth from Kamareddy district in Telangana was cheated by an agent and are currently facing crisis in Malaysia. On Sunday, they urged Zaheerabad MP BB Patil to come to their rescue and bring them back to their hometowns

Tourist coaches remain unregulated

Zonal rlys deem them insignificant, receive minimal attention from RPF, safety personnel

B ANBUSELVAN @Chennai

THE fire accident at IRCTC tourist coach stationed at the Madurai railway yard, which claimed the lives of nine persons and left several others injured on Saturday, raises questions about how the coaches hired for pilgrimage or tours have remained unregulated for the past few decades.

The IRCTC's pilgrimage train or Bharat Gaurav train had a pantry car to cater to the culinary needs of the passengers. However, there was no such facility when hiring one or two coaches for extended trips lasting 10 to 15 days.

Sources from the tour & travel industry said it was a common practice among travel operators in most of the North Indian states to use LPG cylinders for cooking inside the coach or at platforms or nearby locations along the tracks. "This approach stemmed from the perception that IRCTC hired coaches were deemed "insignificant" by the zonal railways, leading to them receiving minimal attention from the RPF, safety personnel, and others," said an operator.

The official spokespersons of the IRCTC and the Southern Railway maintain that railways facilitate travel by renting coaches and no charges were collected for offering food or any other services.

The railway officials also said carrying inflammables during train journeys is banned and punishable. However, there has been no accountability at any level to oversee the safety aspects of the coaches since the commencement of the journey on August 17.

Surprisingly, there was no protocol in place to inspect the coach during detachment and attachment at en-route stations.

Forensic experts examine the coach where fire broke out on Saturday | EXPRESS

R Pandiaraja, a member of the zonal rail users consultative committee (ZRUCC), SR, said, "Unlike passenger trains, hired coaches of IRCTC were not given any importance during journey. Had the safety staff, RPF or other employees, inspected the coach at any one of the seven stations which it passed through since August 17, usage of LPG cylinders for cooking would have been prevented." Pandiaraja also wondered why the railway or IRCTC had not deployed any person to the coach to ensure that all the conditions put forth by them were compiled by the travellers during the journey. "Railways should fix smoke detectors in all coaches," he added.

A total of 64 passengers commenced their tour journey from Lucknow aboard a tourist coach on August 17. The coach was connected to the rear of various express trains that halted at seven stations including Vijayawada, Renigunta, Mysuru, Bengaluru, Tirunelveli, Nagercoil, and Madurai. The passengers' itinerary included reaching Chennai on August 28 via the Ananthapuri Express before heading back to Lucknow.

ONAM RUSH

Broadway witnesses a heavy rush on Sunday as Kochi residents hit the street for Onam purchases | A SANESH

Rain over Karnataka next two days

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

OFFICIALS of the India Meteorological Department (IMD) have forecast rain and thunder showers over most parts of Karnataka for the next two days. As per the officials, southwest monsoon is weak over coastal Karnataka and normal over interior Karnataka. The IMD also recorded rainfall over a few places in the state till 8am on August 27.

As per records, Sindhanur in Raichur district recorded 5cms rainfall, Gubbi and Chikkanahalli in Tumakuru recorded 3cms each; Bevoor and Yelburga (both in Koppal), Kawadimatti (in Yadgir), Hoskote (in Bengaluru Rural), Sringeri (in Chikkamagaluru), Bellur (in Mandya) and Davanagere recorded 2cms each. Also Kuknoor, Munirabad (both in Koppal), Raichur and Deodurg (in Raichur), Shorapur (in Yadgir), Channagiri (in Davangere), Shivamogga, Kadur and Kottur recorded 1cms rainfall each.

Along with rain, the IMD officials also issued a thunderstorm warning over parts of south interior Karnataka for the next two days, coupled with rainfall.

Chariot pull: It's all-woman annual affair

RAGHOTTAM KOPPAR @ Gadag

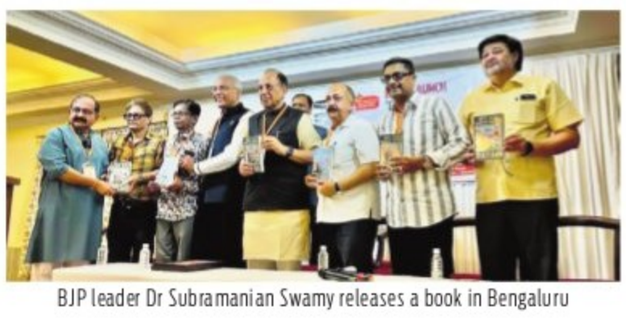
HALAKERE Annadaneshwar Mutt's annual fair is unique. For the last 18 years, only women devotees have been pulling a silver chariot, which was a male prerogative till then.

Women achievers are felicitated and women centric performances and symposia are organised as part of the fair. This year, the programmes will be inaugurated by Women and Child Development Minister Laxmi Hebbalkar on Monday.

The fair draws hundreds of women from Halakere, surrounding villages and across the state. Every year, over 500 women achievers, including student toppers, are felicitated by the Mutt at the village, which is 40 km from Gadag town.

The ritual of women pulling the 165kg silver chariot started in 2005, when the previous seer invited schoolgirls and women farmers to pull the chariot as he wanted to give prominence to rural and urban women. The seer also extended the invitation to women writers, achievers and social activists to take part in the cultural programmes. Every year, prominent women personalities from across the state are invited to deliver speeches and present musical performances.

Also, women ministers or MLAs take the lead every year.



BJP leader Dr Subramanian Swamy releases a book in Bengaluru

PM didn't bring back black money: Swamy

ENS @ Bengaluru

SENIOR BJP leader Dr Subramanian Swamy on Sunday attacked Prime Minister Narendra Modi for not taking any steps to bring back black money to the tune of $3 trillion stashed in 71 foreign banks as he had promised in the run-up to the 2014 Lok Sabha polls.

"When other countries have taken action against their leaders by approaching the United Nations, Modi has not taken any action, even against Congress leader Sonia Gandhi. Because he cannot let down some of his friends," he alleged. "The BJP cannot take action against corruption as the workers are honest, but the policy-making is a bluff," he said after releasing a book -- Paper In, Money Out -- authored by Sree Iyer and Jagdish Shetty in Bengaluru. The book release programme was organised by Virat Hindustan Sangam.

The former Union minister suggested that the authors send the book to Modi so that the latter can get a start to take the country in a better economic path. Swamy also attacked Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman as he felt that the Finance Ministry was being managed by officials of the Prime Minister's Office.

'Abolish income tax'

Swamy reiterated that Income Tax should be abolished as it is a burden on the middle class, especially salaried families. As much as 32% of the country's GDP comes from agriculture, but it has been exempted from Income Tax. A number of exemptions have been given to some other categories as well, he said.

He suggested that the rate of interest on fixed deposits should be raised to 9% as it will help the middle class.

Soujanya's mother seeks meeting with PM

ENS @ Mangaluru

KUSUMAVATHI, mother of Sowjanya urged Dakshina Kannada MP and state BJP president Nalin Kumar Kateel to facilitate her meeting with Prime Minister Narendra Modi, seeking justice for her daughter who was allegedly raped and murdered in Dharmasthala village.

Addressing a massive protest organised by the BJP under MP Nalin Kumar Kateel, Kusumavathi demanded a thorough probe into the case in Belthangady on Sunday. She expressed disappointment that MP Nalin Kumar Kateel did not raise his voice in getting justice for her daughter for 11 long years.

"Now the MP has raised his voice in favour of my daughter. I urge leaders who have gathered here to help us get justice for my daughter. Help me meet Prime Minister Modi," she requested the MP. "Dheeraj Kella, Mallik Jain, Uday Jain, and Veerendra Heggade's brother's son Nischal Jain raped my daughter," she alleged further.

Dakshina Kannada MP Nalin Kumar Kateel addressing the protest said that it was the BJP government which handed over the case to the CID within 12 days of the crime. Thousands of people had gathered near Annappa Swamy hill and tight police security was in place when Sowjanya's family arrived at the Padayatra.

Teacher's letter writing exercise a hit

Guntur: In the era of snaps, WhatsApp chats and e-mails, a teacher at the Ilavaram Zilla Parishad School is making letter writing the new normal. Aimed at improving the students' written English proficiency, the exercise has helped them find pen pals seven seas away. Speaking on the programme that was launched four years ago, English teacher at the school, Harikrishna Patcharu said the students of Bapatla district exchange letters with their counterparts at Regan Public School in Nebraska, US. "What started as an activity to improve the children's English language skills, has now become a part of their routine as they eagerly wait for the letters from their pen pals," the teacher expressed.

Two K'taka teachers to get national award

ENS @ Sirsi/Bagalkot

SAPNA Srishail Anigol is elated, and so is her school management and students, as she has been selected for the national award for the best teacher by the Union Government.

A highly qualified professional with an M.Sc. and B.Ed. degree, Sapna has been passionately educating students for 19 years at SCP High School, in KLE Institute in Mahalingapur town of Bagalkot. She has consistently embraced innovative teaching methods by introducing smart classrooms, educational apps, and computers to effectively impart knowledge. She has already won the best teacher award given by the State government in 2021.

Her tireless dedication and dynamic teaching style have earned her the affection and admiration of thousands of students.

Parameshwar Bhagwat, the teacher from Marikamba Government High school, was also selected for the national award for teachers 2023. The award is a recognition of unique methods he adopted to teach children.

During the Covid-19 lockdown, a group of teachers led by their colleague Narasimha Parameshwar Bhagwat introduced a unique method to educate their pupils using theatre. Students were taught by converting their texts into dramas.

"The idea was to make the students understand concepts quickly. I involved all the teachers and formed a troupe called 'Guru Balaga'. This was called as Pata Nataka (syllabus plays). This method is quite helpful than the classroom approach," he told *TNIE*.

"I am a teacher of Kannada language and Literature. who is not connected with science. Today a drama written and directed by me has won the national award. The story of a vaccine (Ondu Lasike Kathe in Kannada) has won the national award- the best script in Zonal level; and Best director award in the national level," he said.

Sources said the award will be presented by the President of India on September 5, which is celebrated as Teachers' Day. The award consists of Rs. 50,000 cash, citation and a medal.

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY G20

TENDER NOTICE No. L7235836 Dated : 09-08-2023
The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, invites E-Tender through IREPS only for supply of following items:

Description in brief : Hot Axle Box Detector. (Tender No. L7235836) (Qty : 07 Sets)

Last date for submission of bids: Upto 10:30 Hrs on 04-09-2023

For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in

Senior Divisional Materials Manager Hubballi

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BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL BANGALORE (DRT-2)
AT BSNL BUILDING, IV FLOOR, TELEPHONE HOUSE, BENGALURU-560 002.
O.A-1283/2022

BETWEEN:
CANARA BANK, Avathi Branch, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District. ...APPLICANT
AND:
1.G.V.RAMAKRISHNAPPA
2. G.R.VENUGOPAL ...DEFENDANTS

FORM NO. 15.
SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE 23(viii) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEEDURE) RULEs 1993.

To,
1.G.V.RAMAKRISHNAPPA, S/o Late Venkatarayappa, Resident of Gonur Village, Narayanapura Post, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District-562123. Karnataka-INDIA.
2. G.R.VENUGOPAL, S/o G.V.Rama krishnappa, Resident of Gonur Village, Narayanapura Post, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District-562123. Karnataka-INDIA.

WHEREAS, the applicant has instituted an application under Section 19 of the Recovery of the Debts and Bankruptcy Act 1993 against you for recovery of a sum of **Rs.35,66,232/- (Rupees Thirty-Five Lakhs Sixty-Six Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty Two Only)** together with current and future interest, costs and other reliefs. The above defendants are therefore, hereby directed to appear before this Tribunal in person or through an Advocate or through authorized agents in support of their defense to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on **21-12-2023 at 10.30 A.M.** as to why reliefs prayed for should not be granted.
Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this **19th day of July 2023.**

By Order of the Tribunal
Sd/- REGISTRAR,
Debts Recovery Tribunal-II

PEGASUS ASSETS RECONSTRUCTION PRIVATE LIMITED
55-56,5th Floor Free Press House Nariman Point, Mumbai -400021 Tel: -022-61884700
Email: sys@pegasus-arc.com URL: www.pegasus-arc.com

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR SALE BY E-AUCTION

Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rules 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the below mentioned Borrower(s), Co-Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described secured assets being immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, Pegasus Assets Reconstruction Private Limited acting in its capacity asTrustee of **Pegasus Group Thirty Four Trust – 1 (Pegasus)**, having been assigned the debts of the below mentioned Borrower along with underlying securities interest by NKGSB CO.OP. Bank Limited vide Assignment Agreement dated **26/03/2019** under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, are being sold under the provisions of SARFAESI Act and Rules thereunderon "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis.
The Authorized Officer of Pegasus has taken physical possession of the below described secured assets being immovable propertyon 07/01/2023 under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act and Rules thereunder.

THE SALE / AUCTION IS THE DETAILS OF AUCTION ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Name of the Borrower(s), Co-Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s):	A) Mr. Y V Srinivasa (Borrower/ Guarantor) B) Mrs. Madhumitha B S (Co-Borrower)
Outstanding Dues for which the secured assets are being sold:	**Rs.2,12,73,051.90** (Rupees Two CroresTwelve Lakhs Seventy ThreeThousand And Fifty One And Ninety Paise Only) as on 16/08/2023plus interest at the contractual rate and costs, charges and expenses thereon w.e.f. 17/08/2023 till the date of payment and realization.
Details of Secured Asset being Immovable Property which is beingsold	All that Open Land, Site No. 58, Khatha No. 756/694/58, Sadenahalli Village, HesaraghattaHobli Bangalore North Taluk and **Bounded By: East By:** Site No : 75, **West By:** Road, **North By:** Site No: 57, **South By:** Site No : 59 Area: Land – 1200 Square Feet Mortgaged by Srinivasa Y V
CERSAI ID:	**Security Interest ID: 400010480203 Asset ID: 200010459728**
Reserve Price below which the Secured Asset will not be sold. (in Rs.):	16,40,000/-
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in Rs.	1,64,000/-
Claims, if any, which have been put forward against the property and any other dues known to Secured creditor and value	Not Known
Inspection of Properties	11/09/2023
Contact Person and Phone No	1) Vishal Kumar Shukla Mobile No: 9591103226 2) Bhaskar Sarat Turaga Mobile No: 9880020533 3) Shankar Balasubramanian Mobile No: 8056178676 4) Vivek Arayakat Mobile No: 9962229588
Last date for submission of Bid:	29/09/2023 till 4:00 pm
Time and Venue of Bid Opening	E-Auction/Bidding through website (https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net) on 30/09/2023 11.00 AM to 1:00 PM.

This publication is also a thirty (30) days'notice to the aforementioned Borrowers/Co-Borrowers /Guarantors under Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
For the detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to Secured Creditor's website i.e. http://www.pegasus-arc.com/assets-to-auction.html or website https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net or contact service provider E Procurement Technologies Ltd. Auction Tiger Bidder Support : 079-68136805 / 68136837 Mobile : +919265562821& 9374519754, Email : vijay.shetty@auctiontiger.net, chintan.bhatt@auctiontiger.net, support@auctiontiger.net, before submitting any bid.

AUTHORISED OFFICER
Place: Bangalore
Date: 28.08.2023
Pegasus Assets Reconstruction Private Limited (Trustee of Pegasus Group Thirty Four Trust 1)

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the authorized officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** (Formerly known as Janalakshmi Financial Services Limited)., under the Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued **demand notices** to the borrower(s)/ Co-borrower(s) calling upon the borrowers to repay the amount mentioned against the respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notices, along with future interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and/ or realisation.

Sr. No.	Loan No.	Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	13(2) Notice Date/ Outstanding Due (in Rs.) as on	Date/ Time & Type of Possession
1	30198648992491	1) SVS Engineering Works, 2) S Puttaswamy Reddy, 3) V Bharathi	14-12-2022 **Rs.2,38,130.04** (Rupees Two Lakh Thirty Eight Thousand One Hundred Thirty and Paise Four Only) **as on 12-12-2022**	Date: 25-08-2023 Time: 01:25 P.M. Symbolic Possession
	Description of the Property: All that piece and parcel of property bearing Site No.16, Khatha No.38/8, situated at Hongasandra Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, BBMP Khatha No.38/8/16, measuring East to West: 30 Ft and North to South: 43.06+42.00/2 feet, in all measuring 1284 Square Feet and **Bounded on the: East by:** Site No.17, **West by:** Site No.15, **North by:** Private Property, **South by:** 20 Feet Road.			
2	45379670000171 & 45378950002017	1) Harish, Prop. Shree Manjunatha Fruits and Vegetables, 2) Mr. Harish R., 3) Mrs. Jayalaxmi R.	02-12-2022 **Rs.22,56,430.65** (Rupees Twenty Two Lakh Fifty Six Thousand Four Hundred Thirty and Paisa Sixty Five Only) **& Rs.3,14,566.00** (Rupees Three Lakh Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Six Only) **Due as on 23-11-2022**	Date: 24-08-2023 Time: 02:30 P.M. Symbolic Possession
	Description of the Property: All that piece and parcel of property bearing Khata No.35/2, Municipal No.40, PID No.83-91-40, BBMP Ward No.58, situated at 7th Cross Road, Bysandra Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, now comes under the limits of BBMP, Bangalore and **Bounded by the: East by:** Road, **West by:** Property belongs to Sri Subramani, **North by:** Property belongs to Smt. Gowramma, **South by:** Property belongs to Tailor Raju. Measuring East to West 19 Ft and North to South 16.5 Ft, Totally measuring 313.5 Sq.ft.			

Whereas, the Borrower's/ Co-borrowers'/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors, mentioned herein above have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby given to the Borrower's mentioned herein above in particular and to the Public in general that the authorized officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** has **taken symbolic possession** of the properties/ secured assets described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the dates mentioned above. The Borrower's/ Co-borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors, mentioned herein above in particular and the Public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid properties/ Secured Assets and any dealings with the said properties/ Secured Assets will be subject to the charge of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited.**

Place: Bangalore
Date: 28.08.2023
Sd/- Authorised Officer
For. Jana Small Finance Bank Limited

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK
(A scheduled commercial bank)
Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,
H.O, No.2, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru-560018.
Phone 26677552, 26679041

POSSESSION NOTICE FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
[APPENDIX IV (RULE 8(1)]

Where as the undersigned being the authorised officer of The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Limited under the Securitisation and Reconstructionof Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest ACT 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules. at The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Limited within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers in the following accounts having failed to repay the amount, notice is here by given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described here in bellow in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said rules on the dates mentioned herein below. The borrowers in particular and the public in general is/are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Limited for amount and interest on & other charges.

Date of Possession: 23.08.2023

Sl. No	Name of the Borrower/Surety & Description of the Property Mortgaged	Amount outstanding
1	**Applicants: Smt Rajeshwari K.S & Sri.Abhishek.K.S Surety: Madhu S** All the piece and parcel of property bearing No.396, situated at 3rd Block, Anjanapura Layout, formed by BDA, Bangalore. Measuring East to West: 06 mtrs and North to South; 09 mtrs in all measuring 54 Sq.mtrs. together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on: East by: Site No.397, West by: Site No.395, North by: Private Property & South by: Road.	14,65,062/- + Int. thereon 23.08.2023
2	**Applicant: Sri K.N.Prasad, Surety: Smt H.S.Radha** All the piece and parcel of residential property bearing No.48, PID No.85-16-48, Situated at 5th Cross, Biyapanahalli Extension, Bangalore. Ward No.85, Measuring East to West: 40 ft and North to South: 40 ft, totally measuring 1600 sq.ft along with 3600 sq.ft residential building as follows:- East by: Road, West by: Site No.49, North by: 15 Feet Road & South by: Site No.32 & 33.	75,04,046/- + Int. thereon 23.08.2023
3	**Applicant: Sri. N.Govindaswamy, Surety: Smt Sharadamma** All the piece and parcel of property bearing Khaneshumari No.599, old khatha No.239, later No.916/692/325, present BBMP Khatha No.1059/ 916/692/325, Kote New Extension Kengeri, Bangalore-560060, Measuring East to West:43 ft and North to South: 35 ft, totally measuring 1505 Sq.ft and bounded on the: East by: House belonging to K.M.Anjanappa, West by: Road, North by: Portion of the property belonging to Venkatesha & South by: Road.	44,99,153/- + Int. thereon 23.08.2023

Amount paid if any by any of the above borrowers after issuance of Possession Notice, would be reckoned for ascertaining the dues payable at the time of realisation / settlement.

Place: Bangalore
Date: 23.08.2023
Sd/-
Authorised Officer,
The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,
Bangalore -18

EDITORIAL

He who can listen to the music in the midst of noise can achieve great things

Vikram Sarabhai

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— Ramnath Goenka

POISONING CLASSES WITH COMMUNAL COMMENTS, CORPORAL PUNISHMENT

The shocking communal comment by a schoolteacher while ordering corporal punishment of a Class II Muslim boy in Uttar Pradesh for not doing his homework is as appalling as it gets. Pejoratively identifying people by their religion or caste is a fact of life, even in the new India we live in. Perhaps it's the old India showing a mirror to the new, aspirational India. Such crass comments are more pronounced in rural areas. That it has made its way to the classroom is an eye-opener. Unfortunately, the hate language in public discourse gets reflected in school, though teachers are expected to know better. It's now being talked about only because a video of the assault went viral on social media. The clip came when the nation celebrated its technological leap to the Moon. It gave us a reality check, showcasing the ever-widening gulf between the two Indias, one of the rich and the other of the poor and marginalised castes and classes, including the minorities. Schools are temples of knowledge that ought to give children from all strata equal opportunity for quality education. Using communal language in the classroom is the worst thing a teacher can do for bullying, as it poisons the mind and sows seeds of hatred in innocent children.

The teacher had outsourced the boy's punishment as she ordered his classmates to land a tight slap on him one by one and made hurtful communal remarks. His humiliation is a scar he has to live with forever. The boy needs proper counselling to process and overcome the demeaning and dehumanising assault. Even after the incident led to national outrage, the teacher's comments suggest she didn't see anything wrong in the punishment per se but only in its mode of delivery. She appeared unaware that corporal punishment was declared illegal by the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009. 'Spare the rod and spoil the child' is a proverb well past its use-by date, though it continues to be routinised in classrooms. She deserves exemplary punishment as mandated by law.

Going forward, the entire teaching community ought to be sensitised on eliminating corporal punishment, as they often end up robbing children's dignity and hardening them. Schools should be safe places for students to grow and learn, not horror chambers for the persecuted.

FILLING CHINA VACUUM: LONG WAY TO GO FOR INDIA

The slowdown in China may create a big vacuum in the world economy. The country's economic might has been a succour for the global economy, which is battling a protracted slowdown. With China's economy slowing down for various reasons, the world is looking for a new economic powerhouse to boost sentiments. India has all the ingredients to become one but needs to get its house in order so as to fill at least a part of the vacuum created by China. The latter's economy has hit a roadblock primarily due to the Chinese government's policy change and the country's fast-ageing population.

In a global environment where aggressive inward-looking policies are becoming the norm, many countries are consciously trying to reduce dependency on China, and both multinational companies and countries are seriously contemplating the China Plus One strategy. India is very much at the centre of this strategy for many corporations and countries, but it should aggressively grab the opportunity with both hands. Half-baked measures are not going to serve it in the long run.

While India has been successful in smaller ways—like pulling a few manufacturers away from China and attracting them to India—its policies so far have been far from impressive vis-à-vis convincing the world that it is serious about becoming a potent alternative to China. Some policies have baffled analysts. Amid the call for Make in India and Atmanirbhar Bharat, the government has started going back to the strategies of the 1960s and 1970s, like levying high duties on imports of foreign goods. Many of these imports are actually used as raw materials by Indian manufacturers. Reposing faith in the Production Linked Incentive Scheme to boost manufacturing has not worked well either. India's manufacturing value addition as a percentage of the Gross Domestic Product reached a decadal low of 13% in 2022. Contrary to the government's claims, tax and other compliances, apart from policy uncertainties, remain big deterrents for investors.

Growing sectarian tensions and the weakening of institutions also remain causes for concern for global investors. The government has not been very 'defensive' while responding to such criticism, but it must remember that negative perceptions dissuade investors. Closing eyes to realities will not help the Indian cause in the long run.

QUICK TAKE

PATIENTS AND PATIENCE

The National Medical Commission notifies that doctors can refuse treatment to abusive or unruly patients except in emergencies. It's the Commission's answer to curb growing violence against doctors. What provokes violence? It takes two to clap: A poorly funded public healthcare system and pricey private medicare frustrates patients, while short-staffing and unending patient queues test doctors' patience. Cases of patient violence are many. So are instances of medical malpractice and negligence. Systemic reforms and regaining trust can suture the fractured relationship. The new rule, however well-intentioned, could be counter-productive if patients misconstrue it to be punitive or discriminatory. Remember the Hippocratic Oath.

If the intent is to efface the colonial criminal laws, the starting point should have been to put in place a system where the investigating authorities go about their tasks independently

OVERHAUL CRIMINAL JUSTICE BUT NOT AT DEMOCRACY'S COST

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While the desire to overhaul the criminal justice system of the country is welcome, it is somewhat intriguing that the government has chosen a path which is secretive and non-transparent.

It is now understood that a five-member panel was set up by the Ministry of Home Affairs in May 2020 to suggest an overhaul of our criminal justice system. Apparently, that panel put up a detailed analysis on various aspects with the intent to give the colonial-era criminal laws a domestic flavour. It is surprising that both the public and political parties, other than the BJP, are not aware of such an exercise. Nor was the legal fraternity, perhaps the most significant stakeholder, heard in the process. So, we are clueless about the nature of recommendations made by the said committee, and which of them were accepted by the government, as these are still not in the public domain.

This clandestine way of introducing bills is anathema to the democratic values and ill behoves of a government representing 1.4 billion people. If the intent is to efface the colonial-era criminal laws, then the starting point should have been to put in place a system where the investigating authorities go about their tasks independently rather than working in tandem with the political establishment.

That was the central feature of the colonial-era criminal justice system. The provisions under the Code of Criminal Procedure, which allow a police officer to arrest on the basis of suspicion, were central to the colonial-era mindset. Rampant arrests were made without proof, merely upon suspicion, to quell the brewing opposition of the people of India to British occupation. The power of arrest is an extreme power which should be exercised with abundant caution and only when the officer in charge of a police station has some prima facie proof of culpability.

In other democratic jurisdictions of the world, a person is deprived of his or her liberty only when there is prima facie proof available with the police officer. When an individual is arrested, the police officer is required to produce the person in custody before a jurisdictional magistrate within 24 hours, excluding the required transit time. It is during this process that the magistrate is informed of the need for police custody. Mechanically, the magistrate would allow the police officer custody for a certain number of days.

If the government wished to overhaul the law, the starting point should have been to include the provision in the reformed law that gave the police officer the power to arrest not on suspicion alone but on the basis of prima facie proof of culpability. What we see now is that not just the police officer but enforcement officers, too, are exercising power to arrest without proof and even without suspicion. This is far beyond the colonial mindset and unknown to the criminal justice system.

It is a matter of even greater concern when the higher courts of the land uphold such arrests, even though they have the solemn obligation to protect the liberty of citizens.

Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 (BNS), chooses to ignore these overarching issues, which are the after-affects of colonialism.

The most regressive provisions of BNS relate to offences by public servants. Under Section 254 of the BNS, if a public servant prepares a record which he knows to be incorrect and therefore causes loss or any injury to the public, or through such records intends to save a property from forfeiture or other charge to which it is liable by law, the public servant may be punished for three years.

What is even more serious is Section 255, which applies to judges being public servants. So, if a judge pronounces, at any stage of judicial proceedings, any report, order, or verdict which he knows to be contrary to law, he is liable to be punished for up to seven years of imprisonment. I believe every judgment that is rendered by a judge is on the assumption that it is consistent with the law. I guess now the executive will decide whether such an order or judgment is contrary to the law and may attribute a corrupt or malicious motive to the judge. Which judge in these circumstances, especially in the lower judiciary, will render a judgment against the government? Those in the higher judiciary will also be reluctant since such motives can be attributed to any judge.

The message to the judiciary is that it is time to conform. Even police officers who confine people are liable to be prosecuted if such confinement is contrary to the law. This will ensure that the police officer acts at the behest of those in power. These provisions, if brought into force, will render our criminal justice system subservient to the political class.

The claim that this government wanted to get rid of the criminal justice system of the colonial era is not just to obfuscate the truth but to give greater powers to the police officer in implementing the laws of this country.

Though the home minister said sedition as an offence has been removed from the Penal Code (1860), it is far more dangerous in its new avatar. The new provisions seek to expand the definition of waging a war against the Government of India.

Section 150 stipulates that whoever, by words spoken or written or by signs or in any other fashion as set out in the said section, indulges in any subversive activity or endangers the sovereignty, unity and integrity of India, may be sentenced for life. There are also provisions which will prevent protests in public places and make those harbouring protesters liable to be prosecuted.

Such laws, instead of reforming Macaulay's Penal Code, are more regressive than the Code. In fact, these laws suggest that the present establishment considers itself as the new breed of rulers in India, who hope to stay here forever. I hope the country stands up to ensure that we remain a democratic nation.

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UNRAVELLING THE MYSTERY OF WHAT 'GOD' IS LIKE

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FAITHLINE

Happy Onam and Happy Raksha Bandhan, dear readers. With such big festivals this week, it's hard not to wonder as many do, about what God is really all about, besides wanting us to be honest and kind.

For example, the *Bhagavad Gita 9:26* says *"Patram pushpam phalam toyam"*, meaning "a leaf, a flower, a fruit or water". Sri Krishna says, "If someone offers me with love a leaf, a flower, a fruit or water, I will accept it." These small, symbolic offerings are merely vehicles to convey a far greater thing—the devotee's love. It's the love that God says he's after, not things, and what we in turn are meant to aspire to is the *anubhuti*, the experience or sensation of God-love. So, when we dress up images of Lord Vishnu in silks and jewels, and celebrate festivals with new clothes and special food, we do it for ourselves, to satisfy our own cultural need for aesthetics in worship, and to say "Thank you for this beautiful Creation". Indeed, going by a small glance at the history of thought in religion, what God is said to like best is appreciation.

For instance, although the Jews do not have "graven images" like us, there is a charming Jewish saying that justifies the human need to celebrate holy events. It goes, "Whenever the Israelites rejoice in their festivals, praise the Lord, adorn the table with food and don fine clothes, the angels above enquire: 'Why do the Israelites indulge themselves so much?' God replies, 'They have an important guest with them today'."

Regarding this, I love the appreciation for Creation in this verse by Guru Nanak Dev (1469–1539). He says, *"Gagan mein thaal, ravchand deepak/ Baney taarika mandal moti/ Dhoop malyanlo pavan chavro kare/ Sagal banraye phoolat jyoti—kaisi aarti hoye?"* It means, "The sky is your salver, the sun and moon your lamps/ the stars of the firmament your pearls/ All earth's sandalwood is your incense, the winds are your whisks/ The flowers of all Creation are yours—what shall *I* worship you with?"

This spirit of appreciation goes way back to the *Rig Veda: "Madhu vata rutaayate madhu ksharanti saindhava" (Rig Veda 1:90:6-8)*. A tidbit in passing—it was chanted at Indira Gandhi's wedding. It says: "Sweet blow the winds, sweet flow the rivers/ May the herbs be sweet to us/ May the nights and days bring happiness/ May the dust of the Earth yield us happiness/ May Heaven, our Father, send us happiness/ May the trees gladden us with fruit/ May the Sun bestow joy on us/ May every direction bring us happiness". Its sparkling good energy about Creation transcends formal religion.

To remind us that God is the Giver, the ninth Sikh guru, Guru Tegh Bahadur (1621–1675), poignantly says in his *Vairagmai Bani, "Jagat bhikhari firat hai, sab ko data Ram/ Kahu Nanak man simar tih puran hove kaam"*, meaning "The world wanders as a beggar, it is God who gives to all. O heart, remember this, says Nanak, that your hopes may come to be."

P RAVIKUMAR

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In this spirit, I like a poem by Gerard Manley Hopkins (1844–1889), an English poet and a Jesuit priest. It begins, "Glory be to God for dappled things—For skies of couple colour as a brindled cow/ For rose moles all in stipple upon trout that swim…" and ends, "All things counter, original, spare and strange/ Whatever is fickle, freckled (who knows how)/ With swift, slow, sweet, sour; adazzle, dim/ He fathers forth whose beauty is past change/ Praise Him."

So, given these facets as an exuberant, generous Creator, what else could God be like? There are many poetic descriptions in each faith, all so heartfelt. I particularly like the interesting picture painted by Guru Arjan Dev (1563–1606), the fifth Sikh Guru and the first Guru to be martyred. He is said to have written 2,218 hymns, which form the largest single contribution to the *Adi Granth*. The verse about the Creator begins, *"Bajigar jaise baji paye…"* This was translated by the late writer and historian Khushwant Singh: "As a performing juggler/ Acts many parts, wears many disguises/ And takes off his mask when the show is done/ So is our Creator one, the only One."

This evocative portrait of God as One also tallies with my impression of Lord Shiva, who plays so many games with those who love him. There is even a book in the Tamil canon called *Thiruvilayadal* or 'Sacred Games', describing 64 such *shivlilas* or incidents. In fact, the Indian view of existence is that Creation itself is a divine *lila* or game. This sets us mentally free to rejoice in everything we can honestly rejoice about. It makes us a singing, dancing nation, which allows us to see God himself as the cosmic dancer.

Here, I would like to share some translated lines from the Chinese philosopher Lao Tzu—since there is so much Eastern wisdom that we can't access as we are trapped in the English language. He lived in the 5th century BCE and is best known as the author of the *Tao Te Ching* or 'The Way of Virtue'. He says about the mystery of "God", "There is a thing haphazardly formed/ Born before heaven and earth/ Silent and void/ It stands alone and alters not/ It moves but does not tire/ It could be the Mother of the Universe/ I know not its name/ So I call it The Way". This is deeply interesting since we call God-love the 'Margam' or The Way.

Is the path endless? We are taught that it ultimately leads to God's feet, to the light. These verses by the Victorian poet A C Swinburne, who also contributed to the Encyclopedia Britannica in his day, say it more somberly:

"From too much love of living/ From hope and fear set free/ We thank with brief thanksgiving/ Whatever gods there be.

That no man lives forever/ That dead men rise up never/ That even the weariest river/ Winds somewhere safe to sea."

Nevertheless, a rather lovely impression of 'God' emerges, of an intriguing personality who is generous, playful and artistic—who is not interested in gold and silver but in love and gratitude for the many blessings.

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Nari Shakti

Ref: *Steely shakti of ISRO women behind Chandrayaan 3* (Aug 27). It would be invidious to mention only one amongst them, for when the 120 women put in their combined efforts, even the Gods from heaven must have smiled and blessed this. The result was an explosive achievement that the whole world applauded.
H R Bapu Satyanarayana, Mysuru

Indian scientists

Ref: *Moon gateway for future planetary probes* (Aug 27). It is quite thrilling to read that helium-3, even in small quantities, could provide clean fusion energy to the whole world for years to come. That ISRO extracted this vital information from the Chandrayaan-1 orbiter itself is a matter of pride. With Chandrayaan-3, Indian scientists could surely work wonders.
G Nataraja Perumal, Tenkasi

Praise Prannoy

Ref: *Prannoy goes down fighting in semis* (Aug 27). Prannoy may have lost to Kunlavut Vitidsarn but has won both the bronze and millions of hearts with his heroic show in the World Championships. Throughout the tournament, he has played his heart out and deserves all the praise and accolades.
Bal Govind, Noida

On federalism

Ref: *Why federalism in India is more an aspiration than a reality* (Aug 27). It is in fact a good narrative of the pain points between the Centre and the state, highlighting the concerns on federalism. But the solution part is missing. It seems that the writer has left it to the readers to think of solutions. By and large, there is good acceptance of the bills passed in Parliament. In a federal structure, all Central decisions cannot be palatable to all states.
K Venkatasubramanian, Coimbatore

CJI's views

This is with reference to *CJI lays emphasis on inclusivity in legal profession* (Aug 27). The CJI has rightly emphasised the need for inclusivity in the legal profession. As inclusivity is an inseparable part of a cultured society, we must ensure inclusiveness and abjure prejudices.
Dharmarajan A K, Thalassery

Mann's response

Ref: *Mann slams Purohit, says he's lurching for power* (Aug 27). Mann's response is on the expected lines. That the 'selected' governors are partial towards the Centre has been established time and again during the tenure of various regimes. The situation will remain so as long as the president and governors are selected by the ruling parties.
K Nehru Patnaik, Visakhapatnam

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Dharmendra Pradhan @dpradhanbjp
After independence, there were 74 airports in the country in 60 years, now about 75 new airports have been built in just 9 years of the Modi government.

Sitaram Yechury @SitaramYechury
Between 2014 and 2021, 170.7% rise in male daily wagers' suicides. Overall 33.5% rise in suicides in the most productive age group of 30-44 years.

Chandra Shekhar Aazad @BhimArmyChief
Between 2009 and 2013, the BHU administration took ₹450 crore (approx) from the OBC fund, out of which 4,500 rooms in hostels were built with ₹170 crore.

42% NREGA workers in a fix post Aadhaar payout

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

AS the Aadhaar-based payment system (ABPS) for receiving wages for workers under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) is set to become mandatory from September 1, data shows that only 57.75 per cent of workers are eligible for it despite the Union government issuing multiple deadline extensions.

To be eligible for APBS wage payments, a worker must have a job card and her bank account should be seeded with an Aadhaar card. The account must also be connected to the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) mapper, a complex process known as 'mapping'.

Activists and workers have been protesting against the ABPS as there are widely reported cases of failure of Aadhaar-mapping with NPCI, resulting in the rejection of payments and deletion of job cards of workers in large numbers.

According to data analysed by non-profit LibTech India, the national average of ABPS-eligible workers stood at a mere 57.75 per cent out of the total of 26.84 crore workers under the rural job scheme as of August 21.

The data from the NREGA MIS further showed that eight states have less than 60 per cent of ABPS-eligible workers. While Assam recorded 25.1 per cent, bigger states such as Maharashtra (26.7), Gujarat (33.1), Uttar Pradesh (55.3), Bihar (46.7) and Madhya Pradesh (58.3) are lagging.

However, as per the Union Rural Development Ministry's data on August 26, out of 14. 4 core active workers, the beneficiaries eligible for Aadhaar-based payments were only 81.50 per cent. Nearly 20 per cent of workers are yet to be made eligible. According to the ministry website, Meghalaya (3.1 per cent), Nagaland (20.8), Assam (38.7), Lakshadweep (60.8) and Arunachal Pradesh (62.2) are the bottom five states in terms of ABPS eligibility.

Speaking to this newspaper, Nikhil Dey of the NREGA Sangharsh Morcha said that the rural employment law stipulates that the workers have to be paid within 15 days of doing the job, and denying them payment based on ABPS eligibility is unconstitutional.

"The ministry has only looked at the numbers of active beneficiaries, who are eligible for Aadhaar-based payments. The number of total workers in the country needs to be included.

Even the fact that 20 per cent of over 14 crore workers are not eligible for payment is a huge number," said Dey, adding that the unions will be soon submitting a memorandum to the Ministry of Rural Development.

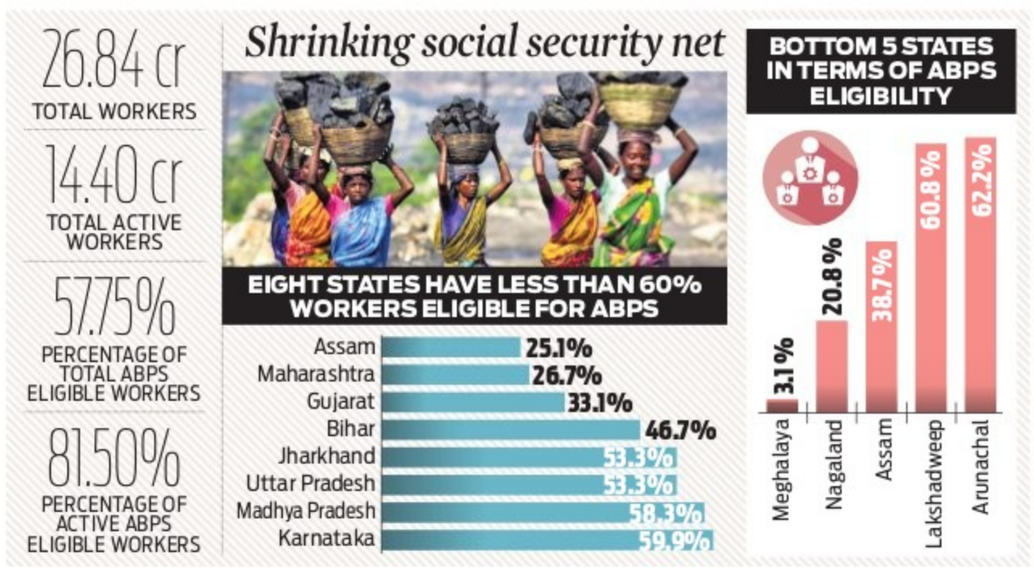
"By ignoring non-active workers, the government is undermining their constitutional right to work," said Laavanya Tamang of Libtech India.

Though the Union government made the Aadhaar-based payment mandatory in February this year, it later allowed multiple extensions, the latest till August 31.

The introduction of ABPS has invited strong protests from many quarters including workers and activists.

While the Union government admitted in July that over five crore job cards were deleted in 2022-23, activists point out that in many cases, it is wrongfully deleted.

The ABPS exacerbates the problem, says Tamang, "In several cases, we found that officials find it difficult to sort out inconsistencies regarding ABPS. As there is no SoP or guideline, they find it convenient to delete the job cards of workers who are not eligible," she said.



Seat-sharing, state-level ties to figure in INDIA talks

Setting up 11-member coordination committee to be of utmost importance

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

OPPOSITION alliance INDIA is gearing up for its third crucial meeting in Mumbai on August 31 and September 1, which will set the tone for building a stronger strategy for the 2024 general elections.

The agenda of the meeting involves setting up of an 11-member coordination committee, deliberations on strategic issues including seat-sharing, shaping coalitions, and maximising anti-BJP votes at states level. The meeting will also unveil a logo and is expected to formulate a common minimum programme for the group. Leaders from 28 Opposition parties, including Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge, MPs Sonia Gandhi and Rahul Gandhi, and chief ministers of six non-BJP-ruled states will participate in the third meeting of the bloc.

Senior leaders involved in back-channel talks said that setting up of the 11-member coordination committee and selecting a convenor for the group will be of utmost importance. The coordination committee will play a crucial role in seat-sharing talks among various parties and issues regarding leadership are also likely to be discussed, said a senior leader. Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar is likely to be the agreeable candidate for the convenor post, said a leader.

Though the INDIA bloc is yet to discuss a face for the 2024 elections, senior Congress leaders including Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot and Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel have pitched for Rahul Gandhi as the party's prime ministerial candidate. "This may be the personal opinions of leaders. However, the leadership issue may figure in the meeting," said another leader. Significantly, the bloc is meeting for the first time after Rahul Gandhi was reinstated as an MP after getting Supreme Court relief in the 2019 defamation case. The Mumbai meeting also comes amid the growing tensions between the Congress and Aam Aadmi Party (AAP).

Both the parties were locked in a war of words after AAP's recent efforts to penetrate Congress-ruled states of Chhattisgarh and Rajasthan, where polls are due this year.

However, a senior leader said this won't be a hurdle. "In states like Kerala, Punjab, Delhi and West Bengal, Congress will be in a direct fight with CPI (M), AAP and TMC. Though they fight each other in the state elections, there can be post-poll alliances. Even if they are rivals at state-level, all of them agree on the common goal of defeating the anti-democratic dispensation at the Centre," he said.

More parties likely to join INDIA bloc, says Nitish

Ahead of the meeting of Opposition leaders in Mumbai, Bihar chief minister Nitish Kumar on Sunday asserted that more parties were likely to join the INDIA bloc in near future. Kumar told media persons in Patna that parties from northeast India, eastern states, Maharashtra and Uttar Pradesh were interested in joining the Opposition alliance. He, however, did not name the specific parties, adding that these were all regional parties. He said that all these parties were opposed to the BJP government at Centre.

'G20 presidency is people's presidency'

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ New Delhi

AHEAD of the G20 leaders summit here next month, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Sunday said India's presidency has been a "people's presidency" and it has made the grouping a more inclusive forum.

In his monthly Mann Ki Baat radio broadcast, Modi also said that India is fully prepared for the G20 leaders summit, and heads of 40 countries and many global organisations are coming to Delhi to participate in the event.

This will be the biggest participation ever in the history of the G20 Summit, he said.

Referring to the people of the country as his family members, Modi said the month of September is going to be witness to the potential of India.

He asserted that India during its presidency of G20 has made it a more inclusive forum with African Union has joining it on India's invitation to take the voice of Africa to this platform of the world.

Speaking about India's role during the presidency of G20, the PM said that about 200 meetings related to G20 were held in 60 cities in the country.

"Our Presidency of G-20 is a People's Presidency, in which the spirit of public participation is at the forefront. More than 1.5 crore people are associated with the events being organised across the country regarding this," the PM said.

Lauding the contributions of women scientists in the success of Chandrayaan-III, the PM said, "The daughters of India are now challenging even space which is considered infinite. When the daughters of a country become so ambitious, who can stop that country from becoming developed". He also quoted some lines from a poem, written by him with the underlying message that the "sun has just risen".

PM Modi also talked about the World University Games held in China in which Indian players won 26 medals.

POWER GAMES

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Opposition Disunity

NITISH GROWS RESTIVE FOR INDIA CONVENORSHIP

All is not well in the opposition INDIA alliance. Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar eyes the post of INDIA convenor. The alliance meets in Mumbai on August 31, but there is no talk of appointing a convenor. Nitish was the first to bring the disparate opposition parties under one umbrella by meeting the leaders of different parties individually. He persuaded West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee and Samajwadi Party president Akhilesh Yadav to abandon the idea of a non-Congress front that Telangana chief minister and Bharat Rashtra Samithi chief K Chandrashekar Rao proposed. He also persuaded the Aam Aadmi Party to join the front that includes its arch-rival Congress. Undoubtedly the key figure in forging opposition unity, Nitish expects to be rewarded for his efforts with the post of convenor. Sources said Nitish is exerting pressure on his Bihar allies, Lalu Yadav and son Tejashwi Yadav, to persuade the Congress leadership to decide on the issue. The Congress, however, is not keen on putting one leader above the rest. Congress, party sources said, prefers a situation where the leaders of every party feel that each may have a chance to occupy the top post in the event of INDIA's victory in 2024. They said that parties would try and win the maximum possible seats to get a shot at the top job. But Nitish is not happy with this reasoning. The Bihar chief minister, who has followed a revolving door policy in his political alliances, is reportedly keeping all options open.

AICC Reconstitution

NEW CONGRESS OFFICE-BEARERS LIKELY NEXT WEEK

Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge may end all speculations and announce his team of new office-bearers in the first week of September. Last week, he announced the new Congress Working Committee, the party's highest decision-making body. Now, he has to appoint general secretaries, secretaries, and heads of departments and cells. Sources said the party has finalised the names. Most current general secretaries will likely be retained, though there may be a few fresh faces. Kharge's decision to keep the present treasurer, Pawan Kumar Bansal, out of the CWC, comprising 39 members, has triggered speculation about the latter's fate. In the Congress organisational setup, the treasurer is the second-most important post after the president, and they nearly always find a place in the CWC. But not Bansal. He figures among the permanent invitees to the Working Committee. Congress circles are abuzz with talk of his imminent removal from the post. The successor's names are already doing rounds. K C Venugopal, a close confidant of former president Rahul Gandhi, is likely to retain the post of general secretary (organization), considered the third most important post in the party. Intense lobbying is also on for the new post of general secretary in charge of election strategy and planning. The party has decided to create this department to oversee elections across the country. It will collect all election-related data, appoint booth committees and plan strategy for all state and national elections.

IAF team sets out for military exercise in Egypt

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

IN a move that could elevate the nation's military ties with Egypt, the Indian Air Force (IAF) on Sunday sent its contingent to participate in Exercise Bright Star-23, a biennial multilateral triservice exercise scheduled to be held at Cairo (West) Air Base in Egypt from August 27 to September 16.

"This is for the first time that IAF is participating in Exercise Bright Star-23, which will also see participation of contingents from the United States of America, Saudi Arabia, Greece and Qatar," the IAF said in a statement.

The objective of the exercise is to practice planning and execution of joint operations. Besides leading to the formation of bonding across borders, such interactions also provide a means to further strategic relations between participating nations, IAF added.

The Indian Air Force contingent will consist of five MiG-29, two IL-78, two C-130 and two C-17 aircraft. Personnel from the IAF's Garud Special Forces, as well as those from the Numbers 28, 77, 78 and 81 Squadrons, will participate in the exercise.

The IAF transport aircraft will also provide airlift to approximately 150 personnel from the Indian Army.

An IAF contingent departs for its maiden participation in Exercise BRIGHT STAR-23 at Cairo in Egypt on Sunday | EXPRESS

President of the Arab Republic of Egypt, Abdel Fattah Al-Sisi, was the chief guest at India's Republic Day celebrations in January 2023.

In June this year, an agreement to elevate the bilateral relationship to a "strategic partnership" was signed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the President Al-Sisi.

Under the framework of strategic partnership, India and Egypt are to strengthen their cooperation in the political, defence, security, energy and economic areas.

India and Egypt have had an exceptional relationship and deep cooperation wherein the two jointly undertook development of aero-engine and aircraft in 1960s. The training of Egyptian pilots was done by Indian counterparts.

The relationship between the two civilisational countries was further strengthened with the recent visits by the Chief of Air Forces of the two countries and the Indian Defence Minister and Prime Minister to Egypt.

The two countries have also enhanced their joint training with regular exercises between their Armed Forces.

150 Army personnel part of Indian contingent

The Indian Air Force deployed five MiG-29 combat jets, six transport aircraft and a group of its special forces personnel at a 21-day multilateral war game in Egypt that began on Sunday. It is for the first time that the IAF is participating in the exercise. "The IAF contingent will consist of five MiG-29, two IL-78, two C-130 and two C-17 aircraft. Personnel from the IAF's Garud special forces, and those from the Numbers 28, 77, 78 and 81 squadrons will take part," the IAF said. Around 150 personnel from the Army are also part of the Indian contingent.

South Africa will donate 100 cheetahs to India in a decade, says Ramaphosa

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

SOUTH African President, Cyril Ramaphosa, on the sidelines of the BRICS Summit that concluded recently, said that his country is willing to send more cheetahs to India, as India was taking care of its feline population.

"We were pleased to donate cheetahs to India as you are a country that takes care of big cats," President Ramaphosa told Prime Minister Narendra Modi, adding that he was in the land of cheetahs.

South Africa had sent 12 cheetahs to India in February this year. This was in addition to the eight big cats that were brought in from Namibia in November 2022.

Out of this, nine cheetahs (including three cubs) that were released in the Kuno National Park in Madhya Pradesh have died. There are 15 surviving cheetahs in Kuno, including a female cub. Most of the deaths occurred to bacterial infection, maggots, renal failure, injuries and heat.

Meanwhile, according to an MoU signed between India and South Africa on January 26 this year, South Africa would facilitate translocation of 100 cheetahs to India over the next decade. "The plan is to translocate 12 cheetahs every year from South Africa, for the next decade. The terms of the MoU on cooperation in the reintroduction of cheetah will be reviewed every five years," the agreement states.

We were pleased to donate cheetahs to India as you are a country that takes care of big cats

Cyril Ramaphosa,
South African President

The death of the cheetahs has ignited speculation on whether Kuno National Park was the wrong choice for the cheetahs, as it doesn't suit the terrain the animals belong to.

"Kuno was initially considered for translocation of lions from Gir, but this proposal was shelved and then came the cheetahs. The total area in Kuno and the moist weather are not conducive to the cheetahs whose natural habitat is dry," said a source.

There have been talks of relocating the surviving cheetahs to Mukundra Hills in Rajasthan. However, since the Mukundra Hills house tigers, there are concerns of a potential clash between Project Cheetah and Project Tiger.

Meanwhile, PM Modi in Johannesburg had spoken about the Big Cat Alliance and suggested cooperation on the issue of big cats.

"Several species of big cats are found in the member nations of BRICS. Under the International Big Cat Alliance, BRICS nations can come together for their protection," Modi had said.

India launched the International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) on April 9 in Mysuru for conservation of seven big cats — which includes Tiger, Lion, Leopard, Snow Leopard, Cheetah, Jaguar and Puma. The alliance aims to reach out to 97 countries covering natural habitats of these big cats.

ENCOUNTER
A Naxalite was killed in a gunfight with security personnel in Dhamtari district of Chhattisgarh on Sunday, police said. The face-off took place around 2 pm in a forest near Karipani village under Borai police station.

2 HELD FOR BJP LEADER'S MURDER IN KOLKATA

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	42	27	Mumbai	35	29
Bhopal	43	28	Panaji	32	28
Jaipur	41	30	Patna	41	27
Amritsar	40	23	Lucknow	42	27
Chennai	39	30	Port Blair	34	28
Kolkata	36	26	Imphal	23	18
Srinagar	18	08	Chandigarh	42	23

Chouhan scales up sops for women

CM eyes 48% women vote in election-bound Madhya Pradesh

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bhopal

EYEING the crucial 48 per cent women vote in poll-bound Madhya Pradesh, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan on Sunday announced a slew of sops including a hike in the monthly grant under CM Laadli Behana Scheme, subsidised LPG cylinder and 35 per cent women reservation in government jobs.

Over a fortnight ago, Chouhan promised to give a Raksha Bandhan gift to women across the state. Chouhan kept his word, particularly to the 1.25 crore beneficiaries under the CM Laadli Behana Yojana, which the BJP government is banking on as its game-changer scheme for the coming polls.

Addressing the mega Laadli Behana Sammellan at Bhopal's BHEL Jamboree Maidan, the CM announced hiking the current ₹1,000 monthly support to financially weak women under the CM Laadli Behana Scheme to ₹1,250.

While Chouhan credited the ₹250 hike as a Raksha Bandhan gift to the beneficiaries of the scheme, he further announced transferring every month ₹1,250 directly to the accounts from October 10. The CM reiterated to gradually take the sum to ₹3,000 every month.

He announced an LPG cylinder at ₹450 to financially weak women this month itself and promised to link the 1.25 crore women with the Livelihood Mission, which will enable them to fund small ventures through concessional bank loans, whose interest will be paid by the government.

Shivraj Singh Chauhan celebrates Raksha Bandhan during a 'Ladli Behna' scheme programme, at Jamburi Maidan in Bhopal on Sunday | PTI

"My ultimate aim is to ensure that each Laadli Behana's monthly income touches at least ₹10,000," he asserted.

The CM announced 35 per cent reservation to women in all state government jobs. The reservation for women in teaching jobs will be 50 per cent while the entire education of girls and women in the state will be funded, he added.

Talking about "inflated" electricity bills, the CM said the recovery of such bills from financially weak women will be stopped. "You'll not only get zero bills in September and thereafter it will not cross Rs 100," he promised.

Chouhan announced the rendering of houses to poor women in urban areas under CM Awas Yojana and residential plots in rural areas. The CM said the state's liquor policy will be amended to close the shops in locality where half of the women demand it.

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Cong repackages 11 promises by Kamal Nath

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bhopal

ON Sunday, while Madhya Pradesh chief minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan announced a series of women specific sops, the prime opposition Congress released its already promised poll guarantees, as 11 *vachans* (promises) of state party chief Kamal Nath for the assembly polls-bound state.

The state Congress released on Sunday, 'Vachanbaddh Kamal Nath' (Committed Kamal Nath's) 11 (vachans) promises, which included already announced poll guarantees.

It included resumption of farm loan waiver, introducing old pension scheme for all the state government employees, ₹1,500 monthly to women, ₹500 LPG cylinders, conducting caste census, around 27% OBC reservation, free electricity for first 100 units and bills at half the rate for 200 units and waiving off electricity bills of farmers pertaining to irrigation pump sets up to 5 horse power (hp).

It also assured 12 hours of power supply to farmers for irrigation and even withdrawal of cases pertaining to protests by farmers.

5 abandoned houses from Kuki areas torched in Manipur

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Guwahati

MISCREANTS torched five houses at New Checkon area in Manipur's capital Imphal on Sunday afternoon. It is predominantly a Kuki locality in the Imphal East district. The houses belonged to both Kuki and Meitei communities. Personnel of the fire brigade doused the fire before it could spread.

The incident occurred despite the deployment of a large number of security personnel in the area. A crowd had gathered at the site after the incident and tried to enter the area. The personnel dispersed them by firing tear gas shells.

The situation was tense when reports last came in. Security was further tightened to thwart anymore untoward incident.

Meanwhile, as all eyes are on the August 29 session of the Assembly, Congress veteran and former CM Okram Ibobi Singh said there might be no discussion at all in the House on the state's unprecedented situation. Obituary references, presentation of committee report(s), if any; and other business, if any, figure on the "provisional calendar of sitting" issued by Assembly secretary K Meghajit Singh will be focused upon.

"I say it from my experience that when obituary references are taken up on a day in the Assembly, no other business is discussed," Singh said, adding, he learnt that the session had been summoned for a day to fulfil constitutional obligation. However, Speaker Thokchom Satyabrata Singh did not rule out a discussion. "There could also be a discussion," he told this newspaper.

Article 174 states, "The House of the State shall be summoned to meet twice at least in every year, and six months shall not intervene between their last sitting in one session."

Goodwill gesture
Locals of a Meitei village on Sunday protected the life of a mentally-disturbed Kuki-Zo tribal until he was safely sent back to his village by the security personnel. Seilun Guite (62), who hails from the Sadang village in the hill district of Kangpokpi, was found loafing around at Pukhao Ahanlup, a Meitei village. Considering the threat to his life, the Meitei villagers took him to a safer place and kept him there until security forces arrived.

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Pilot looking for safe seat in Gurjar areas

Despite becoming a member of the powerful CWC, Sachin Pilot seems to be on a look out for a safe seat. Political circles in Rajasthan have been abuzz after the Congress leader held a number of Kisan Sammelans or Farmers Meets in Gurjar dominated areas last week. After Pilot spoke at a Kisan Sammelan in Vijayanagar of Masuda constituency, many claim that he may contest for the Masuda seat in the coming polls. Earlier, Pilot had addressed a public meeting in Tonk and he will hold meetings in Asind and Nasirabad. These places are Gurjar-dominated areas. Pilot is said to be mobilising the community in his favor.

Good & bad touch: Move to sensitise students

Over 60 lakh students in 66 thousand government schools of Rajasthan are being made aware about 'good and bad touch' under the Safe School and Safe Rajasthan campaign. Under this campaign, launched by the Education Department, the 'Good Touch and Bad Touch Awareness Program' will sensitise all students in the state about unwanted sexual advances. Additional Chief Secretary Naveen Jain told students about subtle aspects of good and bad touch. Jain said that 75 thousand teachers have spread awareness on this through over 1 lakh sessions in schools.

Efforts begin to check suicide cases in Kota

In a bid to curb the rising tide of student suicides in Rajasthan's Kota, efforts have now taken to provide a happy environment to coaching students. This year, 21 students have committed suicide due to stress/depression and in August alone, 4 students committed suicide. A stress-free zone has been created in the Oxygen Zone (City Park), spread over an area of 71 acres at a cost of ₹120 crore to relieve stress and increase happiness among students. Park designer Anoop Bhartaria said that Oxygen Zone is located in the middle of the coaching area where arrangements are being made to keep the coaching students stress-free and calm environment.

Slapgate accused teacher says no regret, video aimed at communalising situation

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Lucknow

TWO days after she was seen in a viral video asking Class II students to slap their classmate, a Muslim boy, for not memorizing a maths table, Muzaffarnagar teacher Tripta Tyagi on Sunday was defiant, saying she was not ashamed of the action.

She, however, said whatever she did was wrong. She told reporters in Muzaffarnagar that most students of the private school are Muslims and that there is no religious discrimination.

"The video was made viral to communalise the situation," she said. District education officials said the boy could be admitted to a government school if his parents wished to do so. The parents have already withdrawn the boy from Neha Public School where the incident took place.

The Muzaffarnagar Basic Shiksha Adhikari (BSA) said the boy had expressed his willingness to study in the government school in the same Khabbupur village. "If his parents agree, he will be admitted to the school on Monday," he said.

I did nothing wrong. The video was made viral to communalise the situation
Tripta Tyagi, Muzaffarnagar teacher

Meanwhile, authorities have sought clarification from the school management about its affiliation. "It's affiliated to the basic education department and runs classes from 1 to 5," he said the Basic Shiksha Adhikari.

"The school has been told to give a clarification in a month to the department regarding its affiliation. It has three teachers," the BSA said.

J&K teacher who beat student for writing 'Jai Shri Ram' arrested

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

POLICE have arrested a lecturer of Government Higher Secondary School in Jammu and Kashmir's Kathua district for beating a Class 10 student for writing 'Jai Shree Ram' on the blackboard of his classroom.

The principal of the school, who is still at large, have been suspended and an inquiry has been ordered against the duo.

The student alleged that on August 25, the lecturer and principal of the school thrashed him after he wrote 'Jai Shree Ram' on the blackboard.

"They [lecturer and principal] first beat me. They later took me to the office room, where I was thrashed again. They also kicked me," alleged the student, who reportedly sustained injuries and has been admitted to a hospital.

The sub-divisional magistrate Bani Satish Sharma said the student's father has registered a complaint alleging that the teacher and principal had beaten his son in the school.

The locals staged a protest and demanded action against the erring teachers.

No permission, but VHP says it will go ahead with Shobha Yatra in Nuh

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

HARYANA government made it clear that it has denied permission for the Shobha Yatra to be taken out by the Vishva Hindu Parishad (VHP) and Bajrang Dal on Monday.

Around 1,900 Haryana Police personnel and 24 companies of paramilitary forces have been deployed to thwart untoward incidents. All the entry points of the district have been sealed and no outsider will be allowed to enter Nuh.

Meanwhile, the VHP has said the procession will be taken out and asserted that there is no need to obtain permission for such religious events.

Referring to the Nuh violence that took place a few weeks earlier, Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar said in Panchkula on Sunday, "Permission has not been granted for the 'yatra'. Instead of the 'yatra', people can visit temples in their areas for 'jalabhishek'." He said it is the state's responsibility to maintain law and order.

According to a Nuh police, traffic on the KMP Expressway and the Delhi-Mumbai Expressway however will continue.

Nuh deputy commissioner Dhirendra Khadgata and superintendent of police Narendra Bijarniya had held a meeting with peace committees on Saturday.

Meanwhile, Haryana director general of police Shatrujeet Kapur said the administration had denied permission for the yatra due to a meeting of the G20 Sherpa Group, scheduled to be held in Nuh from September 3-7 and to maintain law and order in the aftermath of the July 31 violence. He also presided over a meeting with senior officers of bordering states such as Punjab, Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan and Chandigarh via video conferencing and called for coordinated efforts to tackle the situation.

Security tightened
The security arrangements have been stepped up in Nuh and other areas following the call given by the Sarv Jatiya Hindu Mahapanchayat to resume the Brij Mandal Shobha Yatra in Nuh on August 28, which was disrupted after communal clashes on July 31.

Dalit youths hung upside down from tree, beaten in Maha

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

FOUR Dalit children were suspended from a tree upside down and thrashed by six persons for stealing goats and pigeons in Srirampur in Ahmednagar district, police said on Sunday.

The horrific incident, which occurred on August 25, came to light after its video surfaced on social media. Police on Saturday arrested one person in connection with the case, while five others still are absconding. The accused have been identified as Yuvraj Galande, Manoj Bodake, Pappu Parkhe, Deepak Gaikwad, Durgesh Vaidya and Raju Borage, an official said.

A case under sections 307 (attempt to murder), 364 (kidnapping) and other relevant provisions of the Indian Penal Code and Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe (Prevention of Atrocities) Act has been registered, the official said.

Meanwhile, Dalit leader and president of Vanchit Bahujan Aghadi Prakash Ambedkar said the incident shook him. "I've assured the grandmother of one of the victims that VBA will ensure justice," Ambedkar said.

Genetic edge: Tiger on way back from 4 states

NARENDRA SETHI @ Dehradun

AFTER migrating from Uttarakhand a year ago, a tiger is returning to its native state after finding no protective shelter in four other states.

The tiger left last year and is now returning to Uttarakhand after covering hundreds of kilometres from Uttar Pradesh, Haryana and Himachal Pradesh.

Dr Saket Badola, Director of Rajaji Tiger Reserve, told this daily, "This tiger, which migrated from Uttarakhand, is on a long-distance migration, evidenced by the photographs captured in the trap camera in the forest of Renuka in Himachal."

"The tiger may return to the Rajaji area once the water level of the Yamuna recedes," Rajaji Tiger Reserve Director Dr Badola said, adding that "long-distance migration and safe return of the tiger through four states shows its genetic superiority".

"The Himachal Forest Department is constantly monitoring the movement of the tiger, he is completely healthy", Dr Badola added.

Director Dr Badola said, "Himachal Pradesh Forest Department officials have confirmed the sighting of the tiger in the trap camera". The return of the tiger to the forests of Himachal Pradesh shows that it is moving towards its previous habitat in RTR.

According to sources in the tiger reserve, "The tiger first crossed the Ganga through the Gauhari and Chilla ranges of the Rajaji Tiger Reserve,and reached the Motichur range of the reserve, after which it was reported in the Simbalwada Wildlife Sanctuary of Paonta-Renuka in February."

"In May, the tiger was reported to be in Kalesar Wildlife Sanctuary in Haryana", Badola said.

According to wildlife environment and forest ecology experts, "The tendency of male tigers to migrate long distances in search of new habitat is seen as a good sign".

"Tigers often travel long distances in search of new habitats, during which they adopt if they find the new habitat safe from human intervention and have adequate availability of food and water and other survival criteria. If this is not the case, they return to their previous habitat", said Badola, director of Rajaji Tiger Reserve.

He added that "the long and uninterrupted migration of the tiger through Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh and Haryana also indicates that the corridor passing through the four states is alive".

Dr Badola, who is the brain behind encouraging tiger population in Uttarakhand, which has the third largest tiger population in the country with 560 tigers in 53 tiger reserves in the country, said, "Initially, the Uttarakhand forest department had installed camera traps after finding tiger footprints. After this, some more camera traps have also been installed by the Himachal Forest Department to monitor the tiger. Training has also been given to forest personnel by the Uttarakhand Forest Department to handle the situation in a better way. This is to avoid any inconvenience the big cat might face."

J&K Waqf Board to replace religious preachers, recast selection criteria

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

THE J&K Waqf Board, which is headed by a BJP leader, has decided to replace the old preachers (Imams) and set eligibility criteria for selection and appointment of Imams (preachers), khateebs (Quranic reciters) and muezzins (who call for prayers) in the Union Territory.

"The J&K Waqf board is facing a shortage of well-qualified Imams, khateebs and muezzins at most of the shrines and mosques under its control. Some of the current Imams and Khateebs are too advanced in age to carry out their duties effectively. Representations received from the general public also highlight the demand for the appointment of well-qualified Imams, Khateebs and Muezzins," reads an order issued by J&K Waqf Board's Executive Magistrate Tehsildar Ishtiyaq Mohi-ud-Din.

The J&K Waqf Board is headed by senior BJP leader Dr Darakhan Andrabi. The Waqf board, as per the order, has set eligibility criteria for the appointment of Imams and Khateebs. The candidates for Imams, Khateebs and Muezzins should have at least Class 10 education holding a Molvi-Faazi course certificate from a Sunni Hanfi institute.

The candidate, as per the order, should use the teachings of the Sufiyah-e-Kiraam (sufi saints) as a reference for their preaching and practice, should be well updated about social and religious matters at both national and international levels, should have broad knowledge of past and current uloom (religious sciences) as well as modern subjects and relevant fields, should possess virtues of honesty, good character and effective communication skills and should abstain from sectarian matters and promote a message of peace and harmony in the community.

Traditionally, the caretakers and mohalla committees around the mosques and mosques in Kashmir used to have a greater role in appointing Imams, Khateebs and muezzins.

After the appointment of Dr Darakshan Andrabi as head of the Board following Article 370 abrogation, the Board has brought some systemic changes in its functioning. It has ordered complete ban on collection of donations by board trustees at shrines and mosques run by the board, the practice of tying turban especially of politicians in shrines and unauthorized photography.

Board faces shortage
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SIX killed after a passenger van they were travelling in fell off a bridge in northwest Pakistan

GLOBAL WEATHER

Beijing	31	18	SNY	Los Angeles	35	20	LC
Colombo	32	26	LC	Melbourne	18	9	HR
Dhaka	34	27	SNY	Moscow	21	9	HR
Dubai	41	31	SNY	New York	24	20	LC
Houston	37	27	SNY	Singapore	30	27	SNY
Istanbul	31	22	SNY	Toronto	21	14	LC
London	21	12	LC	Washington	26	21	SNY

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Clearing doubts, Russia confirms Prigozhin's death

The demise of Wagner boss was verified through molecular-genetic examinations

A man pays his respects at a makeshift memorial to pay tribute to Yevgeny Prigozhin in Moscow on Sunday | AFP

MOSCOW

RUSSIAN authorities on Sunday confirmed the death of Wagner Group chief Yevgeny Prigozhin, putting to rest any doubts about whether the wily mercenary leader turned mutineer was on a plane that crashed Wednesday, killing everyone on board.

"Molecular-genetic examinations have been completed as part of the investigation into the plane crash in the Tver region," Svetlana Petrenko, a spokeswoman from Russia's Investigative Committee said.

"According to their results, the identities of all 10 victims were established, they correspond to the list stated in the flight list," she added. Among the nine other people listed onboard the Embraer private jet that crashed on Wednesday was Dmitry Utkin, a shadowy figure who managed Wagner's operations and allegedly served in Russian military intelligence.

The Investigative Committee did not indicate what might have caused the jet to plummet from the sky halfway between Moscow and St. Petersburg, Prigozhin's hometown.

But the crash's timing raised suspicions of a possible Kremlin-orchestrated hit, while Prigozhin's chameleon-like background allowed for speculation that he wasn't on the plane or had somehow escaped death.

Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov described the incident as "tragic" to reporters on Friday, calling rumours of possible foul play an "absolute lie".

His comments came as the Kremlin appeared to rein in groups like Wagner, with a presidential decree signed Friday stipulating that paramilitary fighters will have to swear an oath to the Russian flag.

In an address on Thursday, President Vladimir Putin said he had known Prigozhin—once a loyal ally—since the early 1990s. However, his comments did little to stem rising questions and anger over the mercenary's chief's death, with makeshift memorials to Prigozhin springing up across Russia.

"He was killed," said one man outside a makeshift memorial in Moscow visited by an *AFP* reporter.

"He was killed by his enemies. We won't say who. The investigation will reveal. But we hope that revenge will catch up with those who committed this crime," he added. *Agencies*

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Sunak to make whole-life sentences mandatory for heinous murderers

U.K. PM RISHI SUNAK HAS UNVEILED PLANS FOR TOUGH NEW LAWS WHICH WOULD MEAN THOSE CONVICTED OF HEINOUS MURDERS WILL FACE LIFE BEHIND BARS FOR THE REST OF THEIR LIVES, WITH NO CHANCE OF BEING CONSIDERED FOR PAROLE OR EARLY RELEASE

'LIFE MEANS LIFE'

- The British Indian leader said on Saturday that 'life means life' and judges will be required to hand down mandatory whole-life orders to criminals who commit the most horrific types of murder
- The new law will place a legal expectation on judges to hand down whole-life orders, except in extremely limited circumstances

"I have shared the public's horror at the cruelty of crimes we have seen recently. People rightly expect that in the most serious cases, there should be a guarantee that life will mean life. They expect honesty in sentencing" —Rishi Sunak, UK PM

STATUTORY PROVISIONS

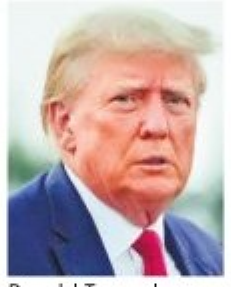
- The UK's statutory provisions do not allow capital punishment and therefore the toughest sentence to be handed down is a whole-life term
- By putting things on a legal footing, Downing Street said judges will have greater confidence to hand out whole-life orders without risk of challenge in the Courts of Appeal

"A whole-life order will now be the expectation for murderers where the killing involves sexual or sadistic conduct. This important law change will ensure that the worst of the worst can now expect to spend the rest of their lives in prison"
Alex Chalk, UK Justice Secretary

SEXUALLY MOTIVATED MURDERS
UNDER THE LEGAL SHAKE-UP, WHOLE-LIFE ORDERS WILL ALSO BE THE DEFAULT SENTENCE FOR ANY SEXUALLY MOTIVATED MURDERS

Trump campaign reports raising over $7 million after mug shot

NEW YORK: For former President Donald Trump, a picture is worth... more than $7 million. Trump's campaign says he has raised $7.1 million since Thursday when he was booked at the Fulton County Jail in Georgia on charges that he illegally schemed to overturn the 2020 election in the state and became the first former president in US history to ever have a mug shot taken. Spokesman Steven Cheung said that, on Friday alone, the campaign brought in $4.18 million—its highest-grossing day to date. The record haul underscores how Trump's legal woes have been a fundraising boon for his campaign, even as his political operation has spent tens of millions on his defense. The mounting legal charges have also failed to dent Trump's standing in the Republican presidential primary, with the former president now routinely beating his rivals by 30 to 50 points in polls. While Trump described his appearance on Thursday as a "terrible experience" and said that posing for the historic mug shot was "not a comfortable feeling," his campaign immediately seized on its fundraising power. AP



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PUBLIC NOTICE

I the undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients **Smt.Nagamma W/o Late. Siddagangappa**, aged about 87 years, R/at: No.15, Sunnaghatta village, Kundana Hobli, Alurududdanahalli post, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District and others have filed the above petition for obtaining death certificate of one **Late.Narayanamma W/o Late Nanjundappa who expired on 03.09.1983.** If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the Hon'ble II Additional Civil Judge and JMFC at Devanahalli and the date of hearing **on 15/9/2023 at 11.00 A.M. in C.Mis No.197/2023.**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer
Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Sri Ramanjini .K, Advocates,

PUBLIC NOTICE

(LOST)

The General Public is hereby notified by this PUBLIC NOTICE, that my Client, Sri **LAKKEGOWDA,** S/o Sri Kempe Gowda, Aged about 49 years, R/at No.1/2, 1st Main, Near Sri Daari Anjaneya Temple, Yeswanthapura, Bengaluru-560022, lost two Original Documents on 23.08.2023 while traveling to Yeswanthapura to his home. The lost documents are as follows:
1. Original Provisional Allotment Letter NO. DDUTTL/B-58-92-93 dated: 03.06.1992
2. Original Possession Certificate NO.D.D.U.T.T.L.P.C NO.087 dated: 03.02.1995
Both documents pertain to the property bearing New No.55, PID No.11- 63-55, old No. B-58, situated at 2nd Main, D. Devaraj Urs Truck Terminal Industrial suburb 2nd stage, Yeswanthapura, Bengaluru-560022. A police complaint has been lodged on 24.08.2023 under No.0698865/2023. Anyone who finds these original documents is requested to kindly hand them over to the undersigned

M. KRISHNAMURTHY Advocate
No.243/1, 1st Floor, Pipeline Road,
Yeswanthapura, Bengaluru-560022

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General public is hereby informed that I Vinodamma .B, wife of Loganath, R/at. No.3/113, U Kothapalli, Udedurgam, Krishnagiri, Tamil Nadu - 635113, had lost the original Gift deed dated 19.10.2012, vide Document No.2129, Book-I, Volume No.7, Page 1, Sl. No.11059 to 11063 in the office of the Sub Registrar, Rayakote, Tamil Nadu having gifted by my father Balajappa, in respect of land bearing Sy.No. 84/1G, measuring 1 acre and another land bearing Sy.No. 87/2C, measuring 1 acre 85 cents, both situated at Udedurgam Village, Nagamangala Post, Denkanikottai Taluk, Krishnagiri District and commonly bounded on the East by : Rathmanna land, West by : Munikrishnappa land, North by : Gopalappa and others land and South by : Radhamma's land. The said document was kept in a bag had been lost on 19.08.2023 at about 5.00 pm, at the time of travelling from Silk board to BDA Complex HSR layout. In this regard I have lodged a police complaint before the HSR layout police station on 24.08.2023. The finder of the said document may kindly deliver the same to me and the finder will be suitably rewarded by me. Public are also hereby warned not to have any transaction with anybody based on the said document, if you are doing so, you will be held responsible for the cost and consequences.

Sd/- Vinodamma .B,
Mob No. 8073705095
Bengaluru, Date : 26.08.2023

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E-Tender Notice No. 33/MYS/2023 of 22-08-2023

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, invites E-Tenders for the following works.

Sl.	Name of the Work	Approx. Value
1	**Mysuru** - Supply of potable water to GLR of Loco Colony, VR Colony and Railway Hospital, Pit line and Station. (For One year)	**Rs. 12,48,750/-**
2	Assistant Divisional Engineer / Sakleshpur : Tightening of the loose fittings and providing / replacing missing fittings over Girder bridges between Sakleshpur - Subrahmanya Road for a period of two years.	**Rs. 2,85,19,918/-**
3	Divisional Engineer / West jurisdiction : Provision of Thermoplastic paint and CAT's EYE (66 Lcs), resurfacing of roads at (27 Lcs) and replacement of Lifting barriers (12 Lcs) in Assistant Divisional Engineer / Mysuru Section.	**Rs. 85,57,069/-**

Last date for submission of bids: **Up to 11:00 Hrs on 13-09-2023**
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Senior Divisional Engineer / Co-ordination
PUB/326/AAS/PRB/SWR/2023-24 **Mysuru**
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PUBLIC NOTICE

TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

General public are hereby informed that, my client **A. Dharamchand,** S/o. Late A. Amolakchand, office at No.117, 8th Main, Vasanthnagar, Bangalore-52 has lost the original Sale deed executed by Sri. Basavaraju, Sri. Ananda, Sri. Muralidhara in favor of P. Kiranraj dated 04.06.2007 vide Document No.KEN-1-00897/2007-08, stored in CD No.KEND384, in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Kengeri, Bangalore in respect of Land bearing Sy.No.84/1B, measuring 7 Guntas out of 10 Guntas, situated at Ramasandra Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk and bounded on, **East by:** Factory, **West by:** Private Layout, **North by:** 20 Feet Road & Remaining land in same survey no.84/1B, **South by:** Land belongs to Chikkanna, while travelling to my advocate's Office by auto. If anybody found the said document please contact this No.9900012916.
Bengaluru Date: 26.08.2023
K. B. Thippeswamy, Advocate,
Room No.LS-25, First Floor, No.22, S.S.B. Mutt Complex, Opp. Sharadha Lodge, Tank Bund Road, Blr-09.

LOST

I, M.P.Lokesh S/o Sri Pilla Veerappa, aged about 38 years, residing at No. 154. 5th Cross, Narasimhaswamy Devastana, Seethappa Layout Cholanayakanahalli, R.T.Nagar, Bangalore- 560033, state that I am the proprietor of Dreams Realty and I am in charge of selling the immovable property on behalf of the owner, Sri. N. Thangamani. Sri N.Thangamani has executed a General Power of Attorney dated 13-8-2000 in favour of his brother, Sri N Ramachandran, bearing document 2000 of Book-IV, registered before the Office of the District Registrar.
The original documents were handed over to me for the purpose of selling.
On 21-8-2023, I realised that documents were misplaced when I needed few photocopies of the GPA.
I have lodged a lost complaint with the Ramamurthy Nagar Police. Finders please return to my address stated herein above.

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL BANGALORE (DRT-2)
AT BSNL BUILDING, IV FLOOR, TELEPHONE HOUSE, BENGALURU-560 002.
OA.No-1284/2022

BETWEEN:
CANARA BANK, Avathi Branch, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District. **...APPLICANT**
AND:
1. MUNE GOWDA, 2. MUNIVENKATAMMA, 3. RADHAMMA, 4. SUSHEELAMMA, 5.KANTHAMMA, 6. INDRAMMA, **...DEFENDANTS**

FORM NO. 15.
SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE 23(viii) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEEDURE) RULEs 1993.

To,
D2. MUNIVENKATAMMA, Aged about 70 years, W/o Late Munishamappa, Resident of Venkatagirikote Village, V.G.Kote Post, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District -562110, Karnataka-INDIA.
D4.SUSHEELAMMA, Aged about 56 years, W/o Narayanaswamy, Resident of Singawara Village, V.G.Kote Post, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District-562 110. Karnataka-INDIA.
D5.KANTHAMMA, Aged about 52 years, W/o Nandeesh, Resident of Mudugurki Village, V.G.Kote Post, Devanahalli Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District-562 110. Karnataka-INDIA.
D6. INDRAMMA, Aged about 44 years, W/o Hanumegowda, Resident of Jakkur Layout, Byatarayanapura, Bengaluru North Taluk -560064, Karnataka-INDIA.

WHEREAS, the applicant has instituted an application under Section 19 of the Recovery of the Debts and Bankruptcy Act 1993 against you for recovery of a sum of **Rs.86,22,277/- (Rupees Eighty Six Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand Two Hundred and Seventy Seven)** Only together with current and future interest, costs and other reliefs. The above defendants are therefore, hereby directed to appear before this Tribunal in person or through an Advocate or through authorized agents in support of their defense to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or **on 21-12-2023 at 10.30 A.M.** as to why relief's prayed for should not be granted.
Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this **19th day of July 2023.**

By Order of the Tribunal
Sd/- REGISTRAR,
Debts Recovery Tribunal-II,

PUBLIC NOTICE

I have lost the original Sale Deed (Doc. No.7144/1993-94, Book-1, Volume No.5051 at pages 198 to 201, registered in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore) in respect of the land bearing Sy. No.33/2, Measuring 2 Acre 37 Guntas of Land situated at NAGASANDRA VILLAGE, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, purchased from Sri.R.Ramaiah and others on 19-08-2023 at the Xerox centre at Rajajinagar and I have filed a complaint to Rajajinagar Police Station on 21-08-2023 vide Lost Report No.0694342/2023.
If anyone finds the document please return the same to the below address.

ANAND YESHWANTH SAWKAR
No.409, 19th G Main, 1st N. Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560 010.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BENGALURU
Notice to the Respondent Nos. 1, 3 & 4
Vide order dated: 21.08.2023
R.F.A. No. 1352 / 2022

Sri Fayaz Ahmed Shariff & Anr., ...Appellants
(By Sriyuths: Naveed Ahmed, Bilal Ahmed Turki, Mohammed Sultan And Mubasher Ahmed, Advs., for appellant)
V/s
Sri Nazeer Ahmed Shariff & Ors., ...Respondents
(By Sri. B.T. Mohan adv. for R2 (VK Filed))

To: RESPONDENTS:
1. SRI NAZEER AHMED SHARIFF, S/o Mohammed Shariff (Late) C/o Nissar Ahmed Shariff R/at No. 11, 7th Cross, Vinayaknagar, Old Guddadahalli, Bangalore - 560 078.
3. SRI NAYAZ AHMED SHARIFF, S/o Mohammed Shariff (Late) C/o Ezaz Ahmed Shariff, R/at No. 49, Opp. Abhiman Theatre, Padrayanapura, J.J.R Nagar, Bangalore - 560 078.
4. SRI EZAZ AHMED SHARIFF, S/o Mohammed Shariff (Late) R/at No. 49, Opp. Abhiman Theatre, Padrayanapura, J.J.R. Nagar, Bangalore - 560 078.

Appeal from the Judgment & Decree dated: 10.06.2022 passed in OS. No. 406/2017 on the file of the LXIX Addl. City Civil and Sessions Judge, Bengaluru.
Notice is hereby given to you to appear in this court either in person or through Counsel duly instructed or through some one authorized by law, to act for you in the above appeal **on 03.10.2023** in case you intend to contest the appeal. If you fail to appear, the same will be dealt with, heard and decided in your absence.
Issued under my hand and the seal of this Court, this the **21st day of August 2023.**

BY ORDER OF THE COURT
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -II AT BANGALORE,
BSNL Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bangalore–560 001.
O. A. No. 226 / 2022
Between:Canara Bank, RAH, M.G. Road, Bengaluru – 560 001. **...Applicant**
And
Sri Satish Kumar E., And Others **...Defendants**

SUMMONS / NOTICE ISSUED TO DEFENDANTS UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES OF1993 BY WAY OF SUBSTITUTED SERVICE

Whereas, the Applicant has instituted an Application under Section 19 of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 against the Defendants for recovery of a sum of **Rs.56,91,591-00** (Rupees. Fifty-six Lakhs Ninety-one Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-one only), together with current and future interest and other relief/s.
Take notice that you are hereby required to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication of this Summons or on **11/12/2023 at 10:30 AM** in person or by a Pleader/Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.
Take notice of interim relief sought. Take notice that in case of default, the application/ interlocutory application will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal, on this the **18th day of August 2023.**

Sd/-Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal -II,
Bangalore - 560 001

To:
Mr. SATHISH KUMAR E., S/o Sri. Eshwarappa, R/at No. 26/168/1, 2nd Floor, 4th Cross, Gururaja Layout, Doddanakkundi, Marathahalli Outer Ring Road, BENGALURU – 560 037.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby informed that, my client **R. Srinivas Reddy** S/o Late G. Ramareddy, residing at Gundanahalli Village and Post, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, intends to Purchase the immovable property morefully described in the schedule property hereunder from its present owner i.e., **1. Smt. Savithramma** D/o Sanjeevreddy W/o Munireddy and **2. Manjunatha Reddy** S/o Munireddy, Residing at Vanakanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District.
Any persons, banks, financial institutions having any sort of claim / rights / interest / charges on the below said property or any objections for the said sale of the property may file their objections in writing along with supporting documents. addressed to the below mentioned attorney office within 07 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which, it shall be construed that there are no claims of any sort over the below said property and my client shall be advised to proceed with the proposed transaction. any claims thereafter shall not be entertained.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

A agricultural land bearing Sy. No. 60, Measuring to an extent of 1 Acres 20 guntas out of 6 acres 29 guntas situated at Kalanayakanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Urban District bounded on : East by : Lakshamaiah Land, West by : Sy No.59 Land, North by : Land of Ashwathanarayana, South by : land of Gopal Reddy.

Vinay Kumar N. Advocate,
1st Floor, No.10/9, N. R. Road, Opp. Pavan Medicals, Newpet, Anekal - 562106
Bengaluru District, Mobile : 8088446847

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR SALE BY E-AUCTION

Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rules 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the below mentioned Borrower(s), Co-Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described secured assets being immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, Pegasus Assets Reconstruction Private Limited acting in its capacity asTrustee of **Pegasus Group One Trust – 37(Pegasus),** having been assigned the debts of the below mentioned Borrower along with underlying securities interest by IndusIndBank Limited vide Assignment Agreement dated **29/03/2019** under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act, 2002, are being sold under the provisions of SARFAESI Act and Rules thereunder on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis.
The Authorized Officer of Pegasus has taken physical possession of the below described secured assets being immovable propertyon 18/02/2020 under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act and Rules thereunder.

THE SALE / AUCTION IS THE DETAILS OF AUCTION ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Name of the Borrower(s), Co-Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s):	**A) Innovative Display Solutionsa Partnership,** represented by its partners namely Mr. Cherish Tota and Mr. Srinivas S(Borrower) **B)** Mr. Cherish Tota(Guarantor) **C)** Smt. Shonali Deckule (Guarantor) **D)** Mr. Srinivas(Guarantor)
Outstanding Dues for which the secured assets are being sold:	**Rs.3,07,85,110.92** (Rupees Three Crores Seven Lakhs EightyFiveThousand One Hundred And Ten And Ninety Two Paise Only) as on 28/02/2022 plus interest at the contractual rate and costs, charges and expenses thereon w.e.f. 29/02/2022till the date of payment and realization.
Details of Secured Asset being Immovable Property which is beingsold	All that part and parcel of immovable property bearing villa No. 1A, carved out of Site No. 1, formed in Property No. 55, Old Khatha No. 101/55/1, New Khatha No. 1240/1, admeasuring 3244 Sq ft and building constructed thereon situated at Kasavanahalli Village, VarthurHobli, Bangalore East Taluk (Eastwood Layout, Haraluru Road, Opp. Sarjapur Road, Bangalore-560034) and **bounded on the: East by** : Remaining portion of the same property, **West by :** Compound Wall, **North by :** Layout Road, **South by :** Site/Plot No. 6. Mortgaged By Smt. Shonali Deokule
CERSAI ID:	**Security Interest ID: 400012413286 Asset ID: 200012387984**
Reserve Price below which the Secured Asset will not be sold. (in Rs.):	**1,67,40,000/-**
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) in Rs.	**16,74,000/-**
Claims, if any, which have been put forward against the property and any other dues known to Secured creditor and value	**Not Known**
Inspection of Properties	**01/09/2023**
Contact Person and Phone No	**1) Vishal Kumar Shukla Mobile No: 9591103226 2) Bhaskar Sarat Turaga Mobile No: 9880020533 3) Shankar Balasubramanian Mobile No: 8056178676 4) Vivek Arayakat Mobile No: 9962229588**
Last date for submission of Bid:	**14/09/2023 till 4:00 pm**
Time and Venue of Bid Opening	**E-Auction/Bidding through website (https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net) on 15/09/2023 11.00 AM to 1:00 PM.**

This publication is also a fifteen (15) days'notice to the aforementioned Borrowers/Co-Borrowers/Guarantors under Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
For the detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to Secured Creditor's website i.e. http://www.pegasus-arc.com/assets-to-auction.html or website https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net or contact service provider E Procurement Technologies Ltd. Auction Tiger Bidder Support : 079-68136805 / 68136837 Mobile : +919265562821& 9374519754, **Email : vijay.shetty@auctiontiger.net, chintan.bhatt@auctiontiger.net, support@auctiontiger.net, before submitting any bid.**

Place: Bangalore
Date: 28.08.2023
AUTHORISED OFFICER
Pegasus Assets Reconstruction Private Limited
(Trustee of Pegasus Group One Trust – 37)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client **Smt.RENUKAMBA. N** W/o. Sri. Manjunath. G, Aged about 34 years, Residing at No.1, Pavan Kumar Nilaya, 13th & 14th Cross, Shankar Nag Road, Viratnagar, Bommanahalli, BANGALORE-560068, is intends to purchase the property more particularly described in the schedule hereunder written from DEEPA SHREE. R W/o Sri. M Srinivas, Aged about 33 years, Residing at No.36, Srihari Nivasa 3rd Cross Road, Mahadeshwaranagara, Maruthi Nagara, Vishwaneedam Post, Herohalli Cross, BANGALORE-560091 who represented that she has clear and marketable title to the same. Any person/s, financial institutions and statutory authorities who claims any right, title or interest of any nature in or any lien, charge or enforceable right in relation to the schedule property and or has any objections of any nature to the aforesaid transaction should lodge such claims and/or objections in writing to the undersigned together with supporting documents within SEVEN (7) days from today, filing which it will be presumed that no valid claims or objections subsist and my client would proceed to complete the transaction with the present owner thereof subject to compliance with other statutory and legal formalities.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immovable residential Property bearing Site No.19, Assessment No.8/3, Old BBMP Katha No. 380, Present BBMP Katha No.8/3/19 at Sl. No.3908, Situated at Herohalli Village, Yashawanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore Urban District, now comes under the limits of Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike, Yashawanthapura Sub-Division, Bangalore, measuring East to west 30 Feet and North South 40 Ft Feet, totally measuring to an extent of 1200 Square Feet, along with 2 Squares of A.C.C. Sheet house constructed thereon and bounded as follows: On the East By:Property bearing Site No.20, West By : Property bearing Site No.18, North By : 25 Feet Road , South By : Private Property.

M. ANANDA, B.A., LL.B.,
Advocate Roll No.KAR 1007/95
No.1431, Ground Floor, D' Souza Building, Begur Main Road, Near Sub-Registrar's Office, Begur, Bangalore-560114. Mob.9845343337

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -II AT BANGALORE,
BSNL Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bangalore–560 001.
O. A. No. 229 / 2022
Between:Canara Bank, RAH, M.G. Road, Bengaluru – 560 001. **...Applicant**
And
Smt. Saritha Mishra And Others **...Defendants**

SUMMONS / NOTICE ISSUED TO DEFENDANTS UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES OF 1993 BY WAY OF SUBSTITUTED SERVICE

Whereas, the Applicant has instituted an Application under Section 19 of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993 against the Defendants for recovery of a sum of **Rs.63,52,504/-** (Rupees Sixty-three Lakhs Fifty-two Thousand Five Hundred Four Only), together with current and future interest and other relief/s.
Take notice that you are hereby required to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication of this Summons or on **11/12/2023 at 10:30 AM** in person or by a Pleader/Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.
Take notice of interim relief sought. Take notice that in case of default, the application/ interlocutory application will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal, on this the **18th day of August 2023.**

Sd/-Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal -II,
Bangalore - 560 001

To:
1) Mrs. SARITHA MISHRA, W/o Sri Sanjay Mishra, Aged about 42 years, R/at No. 1301, 3rd Floor, 25th Cross, 5th Block, HBR Layout, BENGALURU – 560 043.
Office at:: M/s. Sri Balaji Steel, No.3, Mariappa Complex Rajagopala Nagar Main Road, Ganapathi Nagar, Peenya 3rd Phase, BENGALURU – 560 058.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our clients are desirous of purchasing the residential Apartment bearing No.102, in Ground Floor of "DHEERAJ MANOR" Apartment building, now bearing BBMP No.24/1 PID No.81-3-24/1, FORM-A Dakhale No.1655777, Kensington Road, Bangalore, which is detailed in the schedule hereunder from 01) Mr.ALOKE BANERJEE @ ALOKENDRA BANERJEE, S/O Mr.Amarendranath Banerjee, Residing at Apartment No.102, Ground Floor, "DHEERAJ MANOR", No.24, Kensington Road, Bangalore- 560008; and his only children born out of wed lock with Mrs. Rubina P.Banerjee(late), 02) Miss.ANUPRIYA M.BANERJEE, D/O Mr.Aloke Banerjee @ Alokendra Banerjee, and 03) Mr.ARITRO RUDRANEIL BANERJEE, S/O Mr. Aloke Banerjee @ Alokendra Banerjee, No.02 and 03 are Residing at No.1101/1102, Devarthi Building, Narayan Pathare Marg, Shitladevi Mandir Road, Mahim West, Mumbai- 400016, who represent that they (No.1 joint purchaser and successor and Nos.2 and 3 being successors to the share of late Mrs. Rubina P. Banerjee) are the only absolute owners of the said property by virtue of a registered Deed of Sale dt. 03-09-2001 in favour of Mr. Aloke Banerjee and his wife, Mrs. Rubina P. Banerjee, jointly, bearing Document No.2230/01-02, and stored in CD No.21, in the office of the PHOTO REGISTRAR, Shivajinagar, Bangalore (U) Dist., Bangalore (which they claim that they have lost).
Any person/s asserting any right, title, or claim in the schedule property or any part thereof in any manner or having any claim against the schedule property or the documents thereof or against the said owners or objections to intended sale in favour of our clients should write to the undersigned within **15 (FIFTEEN) DAYS** of the issuance of this public notice with all documentary proof on which they are asserting their right with regard to the schedule property or any part thereof and in the absence of which within such period, our client shall proceed to purchase on the basis that there are no claims of whatsoever nature with regards to the schedule property.

SCHEDULE

Residential Apartment bearing No.102, in Ground Floor of "DHEERAJ MANOR" Apartment building, now bearing BBMP No.24/1 PID No.81-3-24/1, FORM-A Dakhale No.1655777, Kensington Road, Bangalore, measuring 200.67048 sq.mtrs.(2160 Sq. feet) of super built up area containing three bedrooms, including two car park lots bearing No.07 & 08, and including proportionate share in common areas in the multistoried building and its undivided right, title and interest etc. measuring 104.98039 sq.mtrs.(1130 Sq. ft.), constructed on the land with old buildings then bearing Corporation No.101, but subsequently changed to Plot No.1-A, and then bearing Municipal Corporation No.24 situated in Kensington Road, Opposite to Ulsoor Lake, Bharathi Nagar, Bangalore, measuring approximately 34,182 Sq. ft., and bounded on the: **East by:** Waste Water Wir Channel; **West by:** Kensington Road; **North by:** Muniswamappa's Grape Garden, and **South by:** Appaswamy Choultry.

G.P. MALATESH BABU,
L.Y. PREMAVATHI, Advocates,
No.98/2, Jogupalya Main Road Halasuru, BENGALURU-08,
Ph: 9449013409/9448140983. Date: 25-08-2023.

Public Notice For E-Auction For Sale Of Immovable Properties

Sale of Immovable property mortgaged to IIFL Home Finance Limited (Formerly known as India Infoline Housing Finance Ltd.) (IIFL-HFL) Corporate Office at Plot No. 98, UdyogVihar, Phase-IV, Gurgaon-122015 (Haryana) and **Branch Office at:-""ADAM CHAMBERS," #11, Richmond Road, Bengaluru - 560025** "under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002(hereinafter "Act"). Whereas the Authorized Officer ("AO") of IIFL-HFL had taken the possession of the following property/ies pursuant to the notice issued U/S 13(2) of the Act in the following loan accounts/prospect nos. with a right to sell the same on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS & AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" for realization ofIIFL-HFL's dues, The Sale will be done by the undersigned through e-auction platform provided at the website:www.bankeauctions.com.

Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Description of the Immovable property / Secured Asset	Date of Symbolic Possession	Reserve Price
1. Associated Electricals 2. Associated Industrial Enterprises 3. Mrs.Beena Savitha 4. Laxmi Fabrics 5. Mr.Niranjan R 6. Mr.Ram Murthy R 7. Mr.Ram kishore R 8. Mrs.Seema R Parmar 9. Mrs.Sheetal R (Prospect No. 784190, 916111, 921570, 938582 and 963977)	23-Dec-2022 Rs.5,10,70,575/- (Rupees Five CroreTen Lakh Seventy Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Five Only) Bid Increase Amount Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Only) (For Property 1)	All that part and parcel of the property bearing **Property 1:** Site No.279, Total Area Ad Measuring 2,588.22 Sq.Ft, comprised in Sri Anjaneyaswamy House Building Co-Operative Society Ltd , Sree Nagar Extension, in Survey No.67/2, 68/4, 69 and 79/3 of Chikkala sandra Survey No. 12/3, 12/4, 12/5 and 12/6 of Arehalli and Survey No. 4 and 5 of Utrahalli Villages, Utrahalli Hobli, South Taluk, Bengaluru, 560050, Karnataka, India. **(Area Ad Measuring 2536 Sq. Ft. and Built Up Area Ad Measuring 2904 Sq. Ft.)**	05-Jun-2023	Rs. 2,30,76,000 /- (RupeesTwo Crore Thirty Lakh Seventy SixThousand Only) **Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)** Rs. 23,07,600/- (Rupees Twenty Three Lakh Seven Thousand Six Hundred Only) (For Property 1)
	Bid Increase Amount Rs. 1,50,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Fifty Thousand Only) (For Property 2)	**Property 2:** Site No.280, Total Area Ad Measuring 2,360Sq.Ft, comprised in Sri Anjaneyaswamy House Building Co-Operative Society Ltd , Sree Nagar Extension, in Survey No.67/2, 68/4, 69 and 79/3 of Chikkalasandra Survey No. 12/3, 12/4, 12/5 and 12/6 of Arehalli and Survey No. 4 and 5 of Utrahalli Villages, UtrahalliHobli, South Taluk, Bengaluru, 560050, Karnataka, India. **(Built Up Area Ad Measuring 2600 Sq. Ft.)**	Total Outstanding As On Date 02-Aug-2023 Rs.4,77,61,903/- (Rupees Four Crore Seventy Seven Lakh Sixty One Thousand Nine Hundred Three Only)	**Reserve Price** Rs. 1,82,24,000/- (Rupees One Crore Eighty Two Lakh Twenty Four Thousand Only) **Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)** Rs. 18,22,400/- (Rupees Eighteen Lakh Twenty Two Thousand Four Hundred Only) (For Property 2)
	Bid Increase Amount Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Only) (For Property 3)	**Property 3:** Site No.3759, Old No. 250/J-8 ,Total Area Ad Measuring 1,650 Sq.Ft, comprised in The Vishwabharathi House Building Co-Operative Society Ltd , Phase IV of Girinagar, in Survey No.16, 17, 18, 19 of Gerehalli Village and Survey No. 101, 103/1, 103/2, 104/1, 104/2, 105 and 106 of Hosakerehalli Village, UtrahalliHobli, South Taluk, Bengaluru, 560050, Karnataka, India. **(Built Up Area Ad Measuring 2640 Sq. Ft.)**		**Reserve Price** Rs. 2,14,37,000/- (Rupees Two Crore Fourteen Lakh Thirty Seven Thousand Only) **Earnest Money Deposit (EMD** Rs. 21,43,700/-(Rupees Twenty One Lakh Forty Three Thousand Seven Hundred Only) (For Property 3)

Date of Inspection of property	EMD Last Date	Date/ Time of E-Auction
06-Oct-2023 1100 hrs -1400 hrs	09-Oct-2023 till 5 pm.	11-Oct-2023 1100 hrs-1300 hrs.

Mode Of Payment :- EMD payments are to be made vide online mode only. To make payments you have to visit https://www.bankeauctions.com and pay through link available for the property/ Secured Asset only.
Note: Payment link for each property/ Secured Asset is different. Ensure you are using link of the property/ Secured Asset you intend to buy vide public auction. **For balance payment, upon successful bid, has to pay through RTGS/NEFT. The accounts details are as follows: a) Name of the Account:- IIFL Home Finance Ltd., b) Name of the Bank:- Standard Chartered Bank, c) Account No:-9902879xxxxx followed by Prospect Number, d) IFSC Code:- SCBL0036001, e) Bank Address: Standard Chartered Bank, 90 M.G. Road, Fort, Mumbai-400001..**

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:-

1. For participating in e-auction, Intending bidders required to register their details with the Service Provider **https://www.bankeauctions.com** , well in advance and has to create the login account, login ID and password. Intending bidders have to submit / send their "Tender FORM" along with the payment details towards EMD, copy of the KYC and PAN card at the above mentioned Branch Office.
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Place:- Bengaluru, Date: 28-August-2023 **Sd/- Authorised Officer, IIFL Home Finance Limited.**

34% decline in foreign direct investment (FDI) into India to $10.94 billion during April-June 2023-24

Investors can look at US equities to diversify portfolio

Though US markets have been volatile, considering strong bull run in tech stocks, US stocks can be a part of investors' portfolio

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

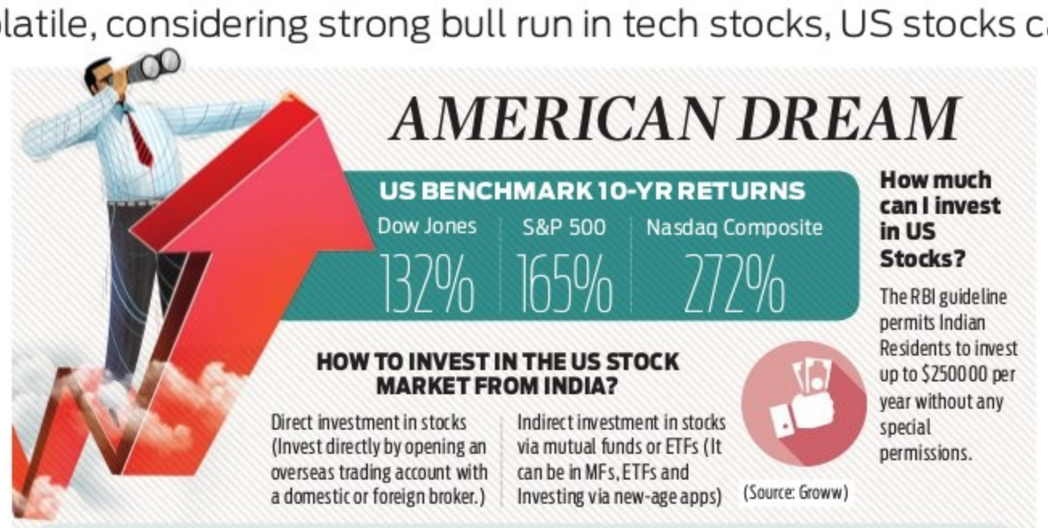
EVEN as most fund managers are betting big on emerging markets such as the Indian equity market to generate super returns, some market experts believe that one should not ignore the US stock market, also known as the mother market, owing to the quality of the companies listed there and consistent wealth created by them.

"People from India are diversifying in different asset classes such as mutual funds and bonds, but geographically they have been missing out on getting exposure to other markets," said Viram Shah, CEO of Vested Finance, a platform specialising in US investment. Shah added that while portfolio managers look at emerging markets, US markets should be a part of the portfolio.

"It does not need to be 100% of their total allocations but can be a good 30-35%...We have been contributing to the top line and bottom line of the US companies but we have not been able to participate in the value they have created. Why should this be the case when we have the technology to solve this?" said Shah.

While Vested did not provide information on the number of investors they have on their platform, the company said that they are close to almost a billion dollars in trading volume over the last four years they have been in the business. According to industry experts, there is a very small number of people from India who invest directly in US stocks but this number is growing at a fast pace.

Shah explained that it has become very easy for Indian investors to invest in US equities. At present, investors, following the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) released guidelines under the Liberalized Revenue Scheme (LRS), can invest up to $250,000 per year without any special permission.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How much can I invest in US Stocks?
The RBI guideline permits Indian Residents to invest up to $250000 per year without any special permissions.
HOW TO INVEST IN THE US STOCK MARKET FROM INDIA?
Direct investment in stocks (Invest directly by opening an overseas trading account with a domestic or foreign broker.)
Indirect investment in stocks via mutual funds or ETFs (It can be in MFs, ETFs and Investing via new-age apps)
(Source: Groww)
CAPITAL GAINS & DIVIDEND TAX
In the US, dividends are taxed at a rate of 25% for Indian citizens.
Owing to the Double Tax Avoidance Agreement (DTAA), the investor can claim credit for taxes paid abroad so that he/she doesn't have to pay tax on the same income twice.
There is no capital gains tax on your investments in the US. But you are liable to pay tax on the capital gains in India.

Healthy returns in the last 10 years

V K Vijayak'umar, Chief Investment Strategist at Geojit Financial Services, said that diversification across asset classes is always good and desirable now that the liberal investment rules and guidelines offer opportunities for geographical diversification.

"This reduces the risks associated with domestic bias in investment. US equities have delivered superior returns to investors consistently. During the last 10 years, S&P 500 has delivered the best return in dollar terms. So it makes sense to invest in US equities," said K Vijayakumar. US benchmarks such as The Dow Jones Industrial Average, S&P 500 and tech-heavy Nasdaq Composite have surged 132%, 165% and 272% in the last 10 years, respectively. Among the constituents, the tech stocks have seen a strong bull run with shares of Amazon, Apple and Tesla rising more than 800%, 900% and 2000%, respectively, in the last one decade. "If you compare the last 10 years, then even being a developed market, the US stocks have given sort of equal CAGR returns compared to the India market. Because the quality of companies is so good there that if you have a horizon of 5-10 years, you should remain invested in them," said Shah of Vested Finance.

Volatility in the short-term

Since the onset of covid-19 pandemic, US markets, like most global markets, have been very volatile. From the lows of March 2020, the US benchmarks witnessed a sharp rally till December 2021. In the calendar year 2022, most US equities, especially the tech stocks, saw heavy selling amidst rising inflation and consecutive interest rate hikes by the Federal Reserve. While 2023 so far has been favourable for the US equities, there are fears of a correction. Most experts believe that the US equities will remain volatile until there is a clear indication of the soft landing of the economy. A soft landing is considered a slowdown in economic growth that avoids a recession.

"As the US Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell, in his keynote speech at the annual Jackson Hole on Friday maintained a hawkish tone on future rate hikes, this may well impact the lending cost and earnings of companies, making the shares less desirable...The other key factor that will keep the market volatile is the commencement of the US Presidential election. I feel the US market may see a big correction in the near term," said a leading fund manager requesting anonymity. Powell warned that the US central bank is ready to take additional measures to curb inflation, including raising interest rates further until inflation comes in the target range of 2%.

MONEY MATTERS

FINANCIAL KNOWLEDGE

RAJAS KELKAR

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WHY TAKE PROFESSIONAL FINANCIAL ADVICE

INDIA'S success with the soft landing near the moon's South Pole has excited one and all in India. There is now a new wave of scientific temper. As the lander and the rover finish their designated jobs and bring back valuable information to the Earth, the event opens new frontiers for the space exploration sector. Businesses riding on providing all the critical equipment and components to space missions are in the spotlight. Many companies are listed on stock exchanges and are suppliers to the Chandrayaan 3 project. The space technology sector opens new investment opportunities.

The connection between the Chandrayaan 3 project and your investments is a bunch of dots. You need to understand their connection. You have an option to either read on your own. You may want to read through financial information regularly and know about the right companies or mutual funds to invest in. The other option is to work with a professional financial advisor. Engaging a registered financial advisor to help you decide the right investment approach may be a good idea.

The Securities and Exchange Board of India published two consulting papers last week. The first deals with the so-called 'finfluencers' who endorse financial services products at the behest of companies selling mutual funds, securities services, banking and financial products or insurance. All financial advisors recommending investments to you must be registered with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi), the market regulator or any other approved body. These could include the Insurance Regulatory Development Authority IRDA or the Reserve Bank of India. Sebi is stopping all intermediaries it regulates from using unregistered 'finfluencers'. It is looking to register all such persons or entities and ensure you are not dealing with any unregistered intermediary.

In the second working paper, Sebi proposes to create a closed ecosystem for fee collection by registered investment advisors and research analysts. It is a system that will ensure that you will be able to know that you are dealing with a registered advisor. They will display their registration details for your information.

These are consultation papers, and Sebi has invited comments. However, these are prudent steps to ensure that you are not taking investment advice from any unregistered intermediary or an advisor at all stages of your investment.

Why seek professional help

You must manage your investments based on your financial goals and risk appetite. Understanding these two things is more important than the actual investments. Your hard-earned money needs a direction. That comes from your financial goals. You may want to set short-term and long-term goals and allocate your savings towards them. That will ensure that you always have some money for meeting these predetermined milestones. These could include buying a new car or home or saving for your child's professional education.

Your risk appetite comes from your ability to earn. If you are confident, you will earn a steady income, you can allocate long-term savings to equity assets. Stock market prices of companies move up and down in cycles based on the financial performance of businesses. However, the overall trajectory is superior to other asset classes over 15 years and above. Your long-term goals deserve a higher equity allocation.

Your professional financial advisor will help you identify your goals. They will also be able to guide you on the correct asset allocation based on your goals. A registered advisor is authorised to discuss specific investment ideas. When investing in equity assets, you will need all the research and support you can get from your advisor and your stockbroker. You need to know the right time to enter the asset class—your ability to stay invested matters significantly. The registered financial advisor will help you manage your expenditures, too. You need to strike a balance between your income and expenses so that you have adequate money to allocate towards your financial goals. A fee-based approach makes sense as you can get tailor-made financial advice. Sebi's working papers are a step in the right direction.

MONEY-WISE

HOW SHOULD A 22-YEAR-OLD INVEST MONEY

FINANCIAL ADVICE

PV SUBRAMANYAM

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I was with a friend when his nephew asked him 'what do I do with my money from my first salary'. He is a banker, but I thought I could add some value to what he could say to his nephew.

Here are the few things that I told him:

- Understand the Time Value of Money! A Rupee saved at age 22 is far more valuable in life than a rupee invested at age 62. In other words, it is the Power of Compounding at work. Assuming money grew at 12%, ₹10,000 at age 22 would have become ₹12,80,000 at the age of 62. Nice to know why one should start early.
- Offer to pay some part of the household expenses – electricity bill, maid salary, car maintenance – and fuel – more as a token of telling your parents that you are here to share the expenses.
- Invest in experiences before you invest in things – travel, treks, or mountaineering – whatever.
- Save up at least 80% of the price of a product – motorcycle or whatever else you wish to buy or own.
- Do not succumb to credit sales – whether it is a Personal Loan or a Credit card. It is important to keep saying NO.
- Build an Emergency Fund – and tell your parents that they too can access this because it was a Savings account with 3 holders – you with your parents.
- Keep track of your expenses – using a good old notebook or by using apps which are available.

Once you start tracking your expenses, you will be more responsible about your expenses.

- Take Term Insurance – for say ₹50 lakh – you can get only 10x your annual income – actually that is not a bad enough sum because there is nobody really dependent on you.
- Start your PPF account –if your parents have not started it for you already.
- Make sure you opt for the Provident Fund in your office – in the long run it will be useful.
- See that you know and understand mutual funds – till you do not know which fund house to choose, stick to a fund house near your home.

Oops you want online?

All fund houses have decent online presence – choose between UTI, Birla, Nippon, you have a lot of choices.

- Track your progress – see what percentage of your income you are saving, what is your asset allocation, what is your Net Worth.
- Invest in improving – if you have done your Engineering, MBA, or CA – whatever your degree it is important to invest in learning MS office skills, public speaking, debating, etc.
- Invest in your health – again the earlier that you get into health related activities – diet, exercise, playing a sport – whatever is required to be in a good health shape.
- As John Templeton says, Start with a prayer, it helps.

Bearish sentiments may continue to outweigh equity markets this week

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
@ New Delhi

THE Indian equity markets may continue to trade lower this week amid sell-off from foreign portfolio investors.

Last week both Sensex and Nifty ended in red with the former shedding 156 points, or 0.26%, and Nifty losing 97 points, or 0.50% in the five trading sessions last week.

The fall on Friday, the last trading session, was more severe with Nifty ending 0.62% lower at 19,265.8 and Sensex was down by 0.56% at 64,886.5 as FPIs net sold on Friday to the tune of ₹4,600 crore. Domestic investors were the net buyers (with ₹1,414 crore), but that was not enough to support the market. Expectations that the US Federal Bank would go for more rate hikes continue to drive bearish sentiments.

According to Shrikant Chouhan, head of research (Retail), Kotak Securities, markets could remain volatile in the coming week due to macroeconomic uncertainty and rising US bond yields. "This has been prompting foreign institutional investors to flee emerging market equities, including India and park funds in safe haven US securities," he says.

According to Devarsh Vakil - Deputy Head Retail Research, HDFC Securities, next support for the Nifty is seen in the zone of 19050-19100, while on the upside, 19375 would act as a resistance now. "Short term trend of the Nifty is likely to remain bearish till it closed above 19375," he says.

Prashanth Tapse, Senior VP (Research), Mehta Equities Ltd, predicts a 'listless trading session in Monday's trade in the backdrop of benchmark Nifty ending on an extremely negative note'.

Govt may not infuse fresh capital in general insurance firms in FY24

MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

THE Indian government has confirmed that it does not intend to provide additional capital to government-owned non-life insurance companies during the fiscal year 2023-24, according to a senior official. The official stated that these companies are expected to be self-sustaining throughout the year, with one of them even planning to pay dividends to the government.

"While the non-life insurance companies are not in an optimal condition, they are still capable of sustaining themselves without government's capital infusion," the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, revealed. In the previous year, the government had allocated ₹5,000 crore for capital infusion into three non-life insurance companies: National Insurance Company, Oriental Insurance Company, and United India Insurance Company.

However, the Union Budget for the fiscal year 2023-24 does not include provisions for capital infusion into these companies.

As per the regulations set by the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI), insurance companies are required to maintain surplus capital to cover potential claims. This acts as a financial safeguard during exceptional circumstances, ensuring the settlement of all claims.

During the fiscal year 2020-21, the government injected a total of ₹9,950 crore into three public sector general insurers.

Insurance firms need to maintain surplus capital

As per the regulations set by the IRDAI, insurance companies are required to maintain surplus capital to cover potential claims. This acts as a financial safeguard during exceptional circumstances, ensuring the settlement of all claims.

United India Insurance received ₹3,605 crore, National Insurance received ₹3,175 crore, and Oriental Insurance received ₹3,170 crore.

According to ICRA, private insurers are increasing their market share in the country, while the financial stability of public sector insurers has declined. The three PSU general insurers (excluding New India) require a substantial capital infusion of around ₹172-175 billion by March 2024 to maintain a solvency ratio of 1.50, assuming full forbearance from the regulator.

'India going from multiple set of micro economies to single mega economy'

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
@ New Delhi

WITH Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI), the country is going from an offline, informal, low productivity, multiple set of micro-economies to a single online, formal, high-productivity mega economy, a trend that will continue over next 20 years, said Nandan Nilekani, Chairman and Co-Founder, Infosys.

Speaking at the concluding day of the three-day B20 Summit 2023, organised by the B20 India Secretariat, CII, in New Delhi, on Sunday, Nilekani said India has transformed in many ways over the last several years and digital transformation is at the heart of its economic growth.

"2016 was a seminal year, when we reached the 1 billion mark in Aadhar cards. In April 2016, the new payment system UPI was launched. In 2016, Jio was launched, and in the same year, the RBI took a decision to launch an account aggregator system," said Nilekani.

Speaking about UPI, Nilekani said it presently stands as the world's largest payment platform, facilitating a staggering 9.96 billion transactions each month. With a user base of 350 million, the system allows for digital payments through QR codes at approximately 50 million merchants nationwide. "We believe this DPI approach will help in climate adaptation and mitigation. From individual cash transfers to those affected by climate change to managing the electric vehicle charging station grid, DPI is an approach that has many uses for the challenges we face," he added.

Max posts record-equalling ninth successive win

Max Verstappen won a chaotic, deluge-hit and red-flagged Dutch Grand Prix on Sunday to match Sebastian Vettel's record run of nine consecutive victories. Fernando Alonso for Aston Martin took second with Alpine's Pierre Gasly completing the podium at Zandvoort. "Fantastic job, the weather didn't make it easy for us," said Red Bull's double world champ.

USA's Sha'Carri Richardson celebrates as she crosses the line to anchor the USA team to victory in the women's 4x100m relay final in Budapest | AFP

GOLD RUSH FOR LYLES, RICHARDSON & KIPYEGON

BUDAPEST: Noah Lyles and Sha'Carri Richardson, the two faces of the World Athletics Championships, won their third and second golds respectively by anchoring the United States to 4x100m relay triumphs in Budapest on Saturday. On an enthralling night's action Armand 'Mondo' Duplantis and Faith Kipyegon rubberstamped their authority in their events. Charismatic Swede Duplantis retained his pole vault title, although he fell short of bettering his own world record, whilst Kenyan Kipyegon became the first woman to achieve the 1500 and 5,000m double, when she won the latter. It was a night of firsts for Canada, who had earlier in the championships swept both the men's and women's hammer titles. Marco Arop and Pierce LePage became the first Canadians to win the men's 800m title and decathlon respectively.

Neeraj creates history, crowned javelin king

INDRANEEL DAS @ Chennai

THERE is no doubt that he is India's royalty in sports. He is the ultimate rock star. One who enthuses so much excitement that entire nation is glued to TV sets just to take a glimpse of history being enacted at the grandest of athletics stage – the World Championships final. And he threw 88.17m in his second attempt for that elusive gold. The junior world champion has rightfully claimed his throne in the seniors.

Arshad Nadeem from Pakistan bagged silver with his best attempt of 87.82m while Jakub Vadlejch from Czech Republic finished third with 86.67m throw. For the first time, three Indians finished within top-6 as Kishore Jena and DP Manu finished fifth and sixth with respective throws of 84.77m and 84.14m. Julian Weber was fourth. When Grenada's Anderson Peters, the last edition gold medallist, was struggling to recover for the Worlds at Budapest, there was only one question that was in nation's collective psyche – whether Olympic champion Neeraj Chopra will be India's first World Championships gold medallist? Peters, who has had multiple 90+ throws failed to even qualify for the final in javelin. Neeraj needed just one throw to qualify – a monstrous 88.77m was enough. What was heartening and a reflection of India's soaring popularity in the sport is that two more Indians who joined Neeraj in the final — Manu and Jena. The result may look ludicrously easy but there were years of effort bundled into that throw. It had not been an easy last year because he started his season late, but this time he learnt from his mistake and took a shorter break. And he chose to train abroad and he and his coach Klaus Bartonietz felt it was good to train abroad so that he can focus and not get distracted with things beyond his control. So they moved places, the United Kingdom, South Africa, Turkey, Switzerland and Germany. The final was the culmination of all those hard work and sacrifices he had to make — he stayed away for home except for a couple of short breaks and had to look after his diet. The distance is not mindboggling either. He has been predicting that this could be the year when he crosses the 90m. He though fell short but became the first Indian to win a gold medal at the Worlds.

India's Neeraj Chopra delivered a 88.17m throw to win country's first gold in World Athletic C'ships on Sunday | AFP

Learning from mistakes is Neeraj's asset. Even during the qualifiers he had said that he did not want to make the same mistake he had done in London Worlds in 2017. "This year our focus will be on the world championships," he told this newspaper before the season.

Parul qualifies for Paris

Meanwhile, Parul Chaudhary finished 11th in the 3000m Steeplechase final with a national record of 9.15:31s on Sunday. With this performance, Parul qualified for the 2024 Paris Olympics. After a stellar performance on Saturday, 4x400m men's relay team — Muhammad Anas, Amoj Jacob, Rajesh Ramesh and Muhammad Ajmal — finished fifth in the final.

THE CORE MATTERS

Asia Cup & WC squads may not differ a lot with only minor changes expected in the lead-up to the marquee event

FIROZ MIRZA @ Chennai

HOURS after India finish their match against Nepal in the Asia Cup, on September 4 in Pallekele (Sri Lanka), the deadline for announcing provisional squad of 15 members for the ODI World Cup will be closing in. Which essentially means, India will have, at best, two ODIs before they name their provisional squad. The 2011 champions though can make further changes in the squad until September 28 but it's highly unlikely that the final squad of 15 (plus three reserves) for the marquee event would see notable changes.

The core group is expected to be the same as the 17-member Asia Cup squad and travelling standby player Sanju Samson named by the Ajit Agarkar-headed selection committee. The skipper Rohit Sharma, however, said after the announcement of the squad on August 21 that anyone can come in anytime depending on the requirements of the team. And this can make the final 15 for the 50-over World Cup interesting. "We thought about an offspinner as well, [R] Ashwin and Washy [Washington Sundar], but right now you see (Yuzvendra) Chahal had to miss out because we could only pick 17 players. Having said that, no doors are closed on anyone. Anyone can come in anytime. If we feel like we need Chahal for the World Cup, we'll see how we can squeeze him in, same goes for Washy or Ashwin," Rohit had said then.

Having said that, a lot will depend on returning KL Rahul's fitness, who though had recovered from a thigh injury and surgery thereafter but developed a niggle as was informed by the chairman of selectors Agarkar. Playing as a middle-order batter apart from handling wicketkeeping duties, Rahul's availability would automatically mean neither Ishan Kishan or Sanju Samson could find a place in the playing XI.

Kishan anyway has scored 425 of his 694 runs in 17 ODIs as an opener. Importantly, all these runs came in just six innings including the double ton (210 off 131) he hammered in December last year against hosts Bangladesh. Given his impressive records at the top order, Kishan, in all probability, will be a back-up opener for Rohit and Shubman Gill. For him to fit in the playing XI, Rohit has to bat down the order, which looks unlikely as India can play a maximum of six matches if they reach the Asia Cup final. The tournament will be followed by three ODIs at home against Australia before the hosts begin their World Cup campaign. They though will play two warm-up matches (against England and Netherlands on September 30 and October 3 respectively) but those ties are scheduled after the date of announcement of the final squad of 15.

Shreyas Iyer is set to occupy the No 4 slot with Rahul and vice-captain Hardik Pandya expected to follow him. Again a lot will depend on team management as it may prefer to manage the workloads of both Iyer and Rahul (who are making a return after surgery, Iyer underwent back surgery). In that case, Suryakumar Yadav can find a place in the team as a middle order batter despite his modest outing in the format.

"One thing I want in this team is to make sure everyone is okay to bat anywhere. You need flexibility, guys who can step up at any position. No one should say, 'I'm good at this position or I'm good at that position'. You want guys to be able to bat anywhere, that's the message conveyed to every individual," the captain had said.

Rohit Sharma and Shubman Gill have formed a strong opening pair for India

POSSIBLE 15-MEMBER SQUAD FOR WC

- Rohit Sharma, Shubman Gill, Virat Kohli, Shreyas Iyer, Suryakumar Yadav, KL Rahul, Ishan Kishan, Hardik Pandya, Ravindra Jadeja, Shardul Thakur, Axar Patel, Kuldeep Yadav, Jasprit Bumrah, Mohammed Shami, Mohammed Siraj

WHO COULD FIT IN WHERE

- Kishan can be a back-up opener while Surya can be a back-up middle-order batter. Similarly, Shardul and Axar can be an option in the pace and spin departments respectively.
- Tilak Varma and Prasidh Krishna can be among three reserves along with Sanju Samson.
- With only a wrist spinner, Chahal can be in the reckoning depending on the performance of Kuldeep. Besides, offie Ashwin and Washington can also be called in for the World Cup if the team needs their services.

JK Tyre head hopeful of having more int'l cards in national racing c'ship

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @ Coimbatore

THE inaugural race weekend of the 26th edition of the JK Tyre National Racing Championship began at the Kari Motor Speedway in Coimbatore on Saturday. Watching the action unfold on a frenetic opening day was Hari Singh, head of Operations, at JK Tyre Motorsports. In an interaction with this daily, Sigh spoke of the event's legacy, the aspect of money and his visions for a bigger Championships in the future. *Excerpts:*

Hari Singh, head of operations, JK Tyre Motorsports

On this year's edition

We have got a fantastic set of young kids who are trying to hone their skills to be champions. It's something that JK Tyre has always been doing, giving them a platform to perform in a safe environment to international standards under the guidelines of the FMSCI (Federation of Motor Sports Clubs of India). This is the 26th year of the Championship and still getting over Covid. We would be happy if we had more international cars on our grid. But under the circumstances, just to keep going is a challenge by itself and we are happy that we are able to sustain.

On the competition's legacy

Just the fact that this is the longest running Championship in motorsport in India is legacy enough. Apart from that, we have done it during difficult times, we did it during Covid. And, of course, the whole idea is to promote youngsters. We have a scholarship programme where we have 3-4 kids under it who are aiming to hit international circuits. This sport takes a lot of money. We top up whenever we can to help (The likes of Kush Maini, a current F2 racer, has competed in this event; this time out, they have the promising Ruhaan Alva, 16, as part of the grid).

On the pathway this event provides for racers who are eyeing the international calendar

At this level, your talent is very important. Apart from that, you need a strong background. Financially, whether from a sponsorship or yourself because it gets disappointing if you don't have the money and have the talent. So, it's very important that you back a kid who has both. A talented kid without money isn't going anywhere, unfortunately.

On his visions

We would like to have a higher category (in terms of horsepower and so on) and more international cars on our grid. There are some plans in the pipeline. Let's hope it comes to fruition.

India's HS Prannoy celebrates his bronze medal effort on Sunday | TWITTER

Badminton Worlds: Vitidsarn claims top prize

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Chennai

THAILAND'S Kunlavut Vitidsarn beat Kodai Naraoka in the men's singles final to clinch the gold medal in the BWF World Championships in Copenhagen. Vitidsarn, who had ended HS Prannoy's run on Saturday, beat Naraoka 19-21, 21-18, 21-7.

In women's singles, South Korea's An Se Young claimed the title after overpowering former Olympic champion Carolina Marin 21-12, 21-10.

On Saturday, India's Prannoy had gone down fighting against Vitidsarn. However, he had done enough to secure a bronze medal. The in-form shuttler from Kerala had stunned home favourite and World No 1 Viktor Axelsen in the quarterfinals.

Prannoy's bronze medal is a massive lift for India. The 31-year-old has been in an impressive run of form and he'll be intent on carrying the momentum in the upcoming China Open — a Super 1000 event.

Prannoy is set to face NG Tze Yong of Malaysia and could likely face Vitidsarn again in the second round.

City extend perfect start, Nunez inspires Liverpool

AGENCIES @ London

MANCHESTER City extended their perfect start to the Premier League season as Rodri sealed a dramatic 2-1 win against Sheffield United after Erling Haaland scored once and missed a penalty for the champions on Sunday.

Haaland drove a first half spot-kick against the post before his header put City in front after the break at Bramall Lane. City were in danger of squandering the points when Jayden Bogle equalised against the run of play with just five minutes left. But Rodri saved City with a blistering strike three minutes later as Pep Guardiola's side moved to the top of the table after a third successive victory.

Later, Darwin Nunez came off the bench to score twice in the final 10 minutes as 10-man Liverpool came from a goal down to stun Newcastle 2-1 at St. James' Park on Sunday.

Results: Burnley **1-3** Aston Villa; Newcastle United **1-2** Liverpool; Sheffield United **1-2** Manchester City.

EXPRESS READ

Spain's Badosa withdraws from US Open

NEW YORK: Former World No 2 Paula Badosa withdrew from the US Open with a back injury on Saturday, days before she was due to open her Flushing Meadows campaign against Venus Williams. Spain's Badosa hasn't played since Wimbledon, missing the hard court series build up to the US Open with a nagging back injury.

Shooter missed Worlds due to 'minor scuffle'?

NEW DELHI: Top pistol shooter Ankait Tomar was removed from the Indian contingent bound for the ISSF World Championships in Baku a week before its departure because of a "minor scuffle with a fellow shooter", said his father on Sunday. The Worlds, which commenced on August 14, will conclude on September 1.

Sevilla support Spain World Cup champion

BARCELONA: Sevilla players showed their solidarity with the Spain Women's World Cup champ who was kissed by the now-suspended president of the national federation with T-shirts bearing a message against Luis Rubiales before Saturday's game against Girona. Spain has been in an uproar since that incident.

SUNDAY'S RESULTS

(Top 3): **LGB Formula 4: Race 3:** Ruhaan Alva, Arya Singh, Tijil Rao; **Race 4:** Tijil, Diljith TS, Saran Tmars. **JK Tyre Novice Cup: Race 3:** Neythan McPherson, Aman Nagdev, Arjun S Nair; **Race 4:** Joel Joseph, Arjun, Neythan. **JK Tyre presents Royal Enfield Continental GT Cup: Race 2:** Abhishek Vasudev, Ullass Nanda, Md Samrul Zubair. **JK Tyre 250 Cup:** Sarvesh Balappa, Abhinav G, Rohit Lad.

Entertaining people & enjoying yourself are most vital: Coach Saha

GOMESH S @ Chennai

THE last 12 months have been nothing short of memorable for coach Jaydeep Saha. During this period, he has coached the Pondicherry U-25 team to a stellar run in the men's List-A competition in 2022-23 where they beat Kerala, Karnataka, and Uttarakhand. Started the 2023-24 season with a play-off finish for Madurai Panthers in TNPL 2023, before adding another feather to the cap by helping South Zone, led by Mayank Agarwal, win the Deodhar Trophy title after almost two decades.

Based out of Bengaluru, Saha is the head coach of the City Institute of Cricket (CIOC) where he has been developing young cricketers since 2011. In the past decade, he has worked with cricketers from several age-groups and has played an integral role in the growth of young talents like G Ajitesh, who lit up the TNPL with Nellai Royal Kings, and Aneeshwar Gautam, who was a part of the World Cup-winning U19 squad, and more. However, working with young cricketers in an academy and senior pros during a stringent tournament schedule are very different and Saha provides an interesting perspective as to how he approaches it. "First up, you have to believe that the teams have been selected properly. You have to think that this set up is right for me, you just can't think that some of it is wrong. Some of it is not interesting. It might not give me the right result. You have to think this is the best environment you have got, that gives you the confidence," he says, stressing that one cannot get technical during a tournament.

"During that short period, it is impossible to do that. You have to get your tactics right. And it has to be according to the players available in front of you. You cannot have a tactic which is beyond their capability, you have to have practice, which is within the capability of the available." That is exactly what he tried to do working with a star-studded South Zone side that had players like Washington Sundar, R Sai Kishore, Rohan Kunnummal, KB Arun Karthik, Arjun Tendulkar. And it did wonders as South remained unbeaten through the Deodhar Trophy to clinch the title.

Madurai Panthers coach Jaydeep Saha during TNPL 2023

For someone who has been involved in cricket coaching for several decades now, Saha started his cricketing journey in Kolkata as a first division cricketer. However, he took up coaching soon enough, first in Jamshedpur and then in Chandigarh. Things took an unexpected turn when his wife got a job offer in Bengaluru and he shifted with his family to the Garden City. Since then, his coaching and journey with CIOC too has taken prominence with him focusing on the sport he loves 24x7. Saha admits that it could not have been possible without the support from his wife who is also a working professional. "For me, success is to let me sit and watch cricket every day. Everybody doesn't have that freedom, right? That space, every day I go to the ground, watch cricket and come back. That is my job. So sitting under that tree and watching that lush green outfield every day gives me pleasure and satisfaction. That freedom is with me. So that is where I feel myself to be very lucky with regard to my wife. And she is the person who will let me do that with a lot of freedom and a lot of pressure on her, she takes it because this (cricket) is what I am meant to do," says Saha.

While Saha is grateful for the opportunities he has got along the way and is keen to fulfil whatever comes next, he believes that coaches are defined by the next generation of talents. "What I feel is to do things in the right way for the young generation. To find out more objectives, more players, you can give some direction to their cricket, some entertainment. Today's cricket is, and it was before, entertainment. How much entertainment you can give to the people sitting and watching. Even you need to enjoy. Without entertainment, there is nothing that can give cricket a different direction."

"I think for this, the way England is playing nowadays, the kind of cricket they're giving, Brendon (McCullum), he's brilliant. I think that is the way people should think because that will help them and all the students get out of pressure. To entertain people outside is the most important part. Every time you have a plan to win. Some days it will come good. Some days it will not. Out of 100 if 70 times it comes off, you are a good coach. So that plan to win needs to be there, that decision making needs to be there. That is what we are there for. That is how I think," he signed off.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

UPCOMING EXAMINATIONS

JSSC JE EXAM	UPSC CSE MAINS	OSSC TGT MAINS EXAM
Date: September 2 to October 20	Date: September 15 to 24	Date: September 15, 21, 22 & 25

NDA EXAM

HOW TO ACE IT? & IS IT TOUGH? WHAT MISTAKES TO AVOID?

Abhipsa Mohanty speaks to experts who provide insights and offer advice to aspirants who are preparing to take the daunting exam

HOW tough is the National Defence Academy (NDA) exam? It has a medium difficulty level, say experts, and it can be cleared by those who are hardworking and consistent in their preparation. As far as the written exam is concerned, they agree that the General Ability Test (GAT) paper is not as difficult as the Civil Services Exam (CSE), while the level of Mathematics paper lies between that of the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) Class XII Board exam and the Joint Entrance Exam (JEE).

The experts advise students to focus on the GAT paper, especially on the non-Science subjects, as those are the deciding factors for selection

exam point

How to excel in GAT

Among the non-Science subjects, Geography and Current Affairs (CA) carry a significant number of marks in the paper, with about 17-21 questions from Geography and about 10 questions from the latter subject. For CA, experts suggest reading leading newspapers consistently, without missing any updates. About one to two hours of daily focus is sufficient, they say. Mohammad Asim, Category Manager and Educator at Physics Wallah adds, "The Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) is constantly changing its exam pattern. So students should not follow the old patterns," elaborating that starting this year, MCQ choices were given in the form of statements, instead of previously followed one-word answer pattern.

English engagement

To do well in GAT's English section, Santosh Kumar Mishra, Assistant Master of Mathematics at Sainik School, Bhubaneswar, advises students to be thorough with grammar rules. "There is no longer a separate grammar book for CBSE students in English and they are prone to forgetting the rules. Students who have a hold on grammar do better than others," he said.

Make the best of Math

The Sainik School teacher mentions that a hurdle students face when writing the Math paper is time management. He explains, "Out of 120 questions, students manage to finish only 30-40 questions. So, to solve the maximum number of questions, fast calculation is imperative." He advises students to learn shortcut methods, keeping the involved identities, rules and theorems at their fingertips.

Confused about choosing between Army, Navy and Air Force? Sumit Kumar, Educator at Unacademy suggests this:

1. Think about what you like and what you're good at
2. Learn about different roles and jobs in each branch
3. Talk to soldiers/armed forces personnel to learn more about their experiences
4. Watch videos and hear different podcasts across channels to understand more about the life in Armed Forces

The SSB interview...

At the Service Selection Board (SSB) interview, board members look for Officer-Like Qualities (OLQs), which students must develop on their own accord.

At the SSB exam centre, the thematic tests on the first day include making a story out of words or pictures shown on a screen, describing a picture or making a sentence with a given word within a limited time. "Students are tested for their thinking. Any sign of negative thinking leads to rejection," informs Santosh Mishra.

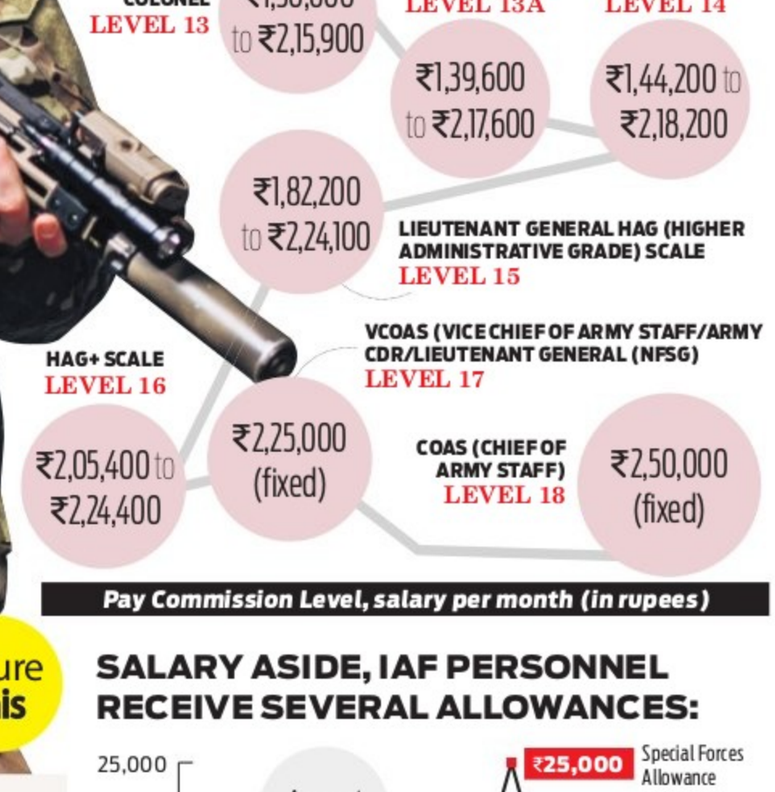
Group tests are also conducted during the first day's assessment, one of which is group discussions (GD). Though communication is one of the key parameters, the conception that having good English-speaking skills mean success is wrong, Sainik School teacher mentions. "We have seen many of our students with average English skills being selected," he says, adding, "How you communicate is important."

After Day One

Candidates who make it through the first day have to undergo group tasks in the next four days, during which they are marked for the OLQs on a scale of ten. This is followed by a personal interview on the final day. "It is a conference in which a group of board members ask 10-15 final questions to each of the remaining candidates. Honesty is vital here," Santosh Mishra says.

BENEFITS OF BEING A CADET: HERE'S HOW MUCH YOU CAN EARN

Cadet life is challenging, but the salary and benefits earned are equally gratifying. Cadets start earning a salary after their training at NDA, Pune, from the first day of their specialised training. The implementation of the seventh pay commission has brought changes in personnel's earnings



Pay Commission Level, salary per month (in rupees)

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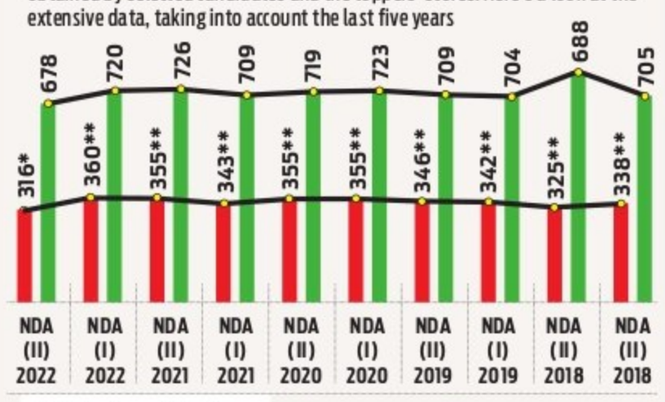
Let's look at the NDA cut-offs

What score would prove to be sufficient for NDA? This is the eternal question on every aspirant's mind. The answer can be calculated from cut-offs, marks obtained by selected candidates and the toppers' scores. Here's a look at the extensive data, taking into account the last five years



*With at least **20%** marks in each subject

With at least **25% marks in each subject

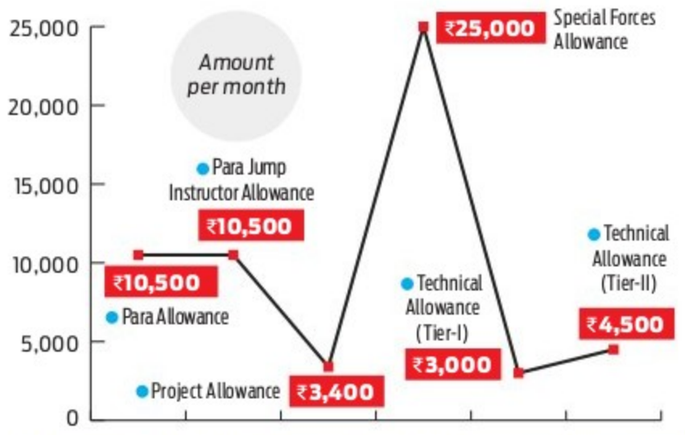
Cut-off in written exam **(out of 900 marks)**

Marks secured by last recommended candidate at Final Stage **(out of 1800 marks)**

MEET THE TOPPERS

Exam	Name of topper (AIR 1)	Marks secured in written exam (out of 900 marks)	Marks secured in SSB interview (out of 900 marks)	Marks secured at Final Stage (out of 1800 marks)
NDA (II) 2022	Anurag Sangwan	609	449	1058
NDA (I) 2022	Rubin Singh	Not disclosed	Not disclosed	-
NDA (II) 2021	Arsh Pandey	645	415	1060
NDA (I) 2021	Omkar Asutosh	656	460	1116
NDA (II) 2020	Aditya Singh Rana	619	497	1116
NDA (I) 2020	Ronit Ranjan Nayak	580	423	1003
NDA (II) 2019	Aditya Arya	602	449	1051
NDA (I) 2019	Ripunjay Naithani	536	479	1015
NDA (II) 2018	Sparsh Kankane	608	467	1075
NDA (I) 2018	Ayush Kumar Singh	606	390	996

SALARY ASIDE, IAF PERSONNEL RECEIVE SEVERAL ALLOWANCES:



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NDA: WHAT MAKES IT UNIQUE

Yes, the experience of attempting NDA exam is indeed thrilling. Wish to be intrigued further? Then here are ten lesser-known facts related to the NDA. Be amazed!

- The NDA exam, though conducted by the Government of India, doesn't have any reservations
- If selected for the SSB interview, the government provides a travel allowance for the first time only. However, T&C apply!
- The study and training at NDA is fully sponsored by the government. Cadets get free education, accommodation and medical facilities throughout their training period. They only have to take care of personal expenses
- In case the parents' income falls below ₹21,000 per month, the Centre provides a monthly allowance of ₹1,000 to the cadet

On August 21, 2021, the Supreme Court allowed female candidates to write the NDA exam

- Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) provides UG degrees to those training at NDA. Students receive separate admission letters from JNU before joining the academy
- The UG course is divided into six semesters and students have to attend a camp at the end of each year. It is Camp Greenhorn at the end of the second semester, Camp Rover after the fourth and Camp Torna after the sixth semester
- There are several government and private defence institutes which provide NDA training along with degrees in a specific branch of study after Class X. For training during high school and beyond, aspirants can enrol in a Sainik School, under the aegis of the Ministry of Defence
- Sainik Schools were opened to girls recently by the Centre. In each school, 10 per cent of total vacancies or 10 seats, whichever is greater, are reserved for girls in Class VI
- NDA is the world's first institute where cadets of all wings of the Armed Forces are trained together

Border security beyond borders: Military recruitments around the world

case study

Canada
Military exam: Canadian Forces Aptitude Test (CFAT)
Eligibility: Canadian citizens, aged 16 to 56
Sections: Verbal skills, spatial ability, problem-solving, arithmetic
Additional stages: Medical assessment, fitness evaluation, interview

United Kingdom (UK)
Military Exam: Armed Assessment Test
Eligibility: UK citizens
Sections: Aptitude tests, physical tests, literacy and numeracy tests and medical assessment;
Additional stages: Medical assessment, fitness test, interview

South Korea
Military exam: Compulsory military service (one year minimum)
Eligibility: South Korean citizens, aged 18 to 35; compulsory for men
Additional details: Individuals have to undergo a medical exam. If healthy, they serve in armed forces, otherwise they may perform civil services. Those not in proper physical or psychological condition to perform either are exempted

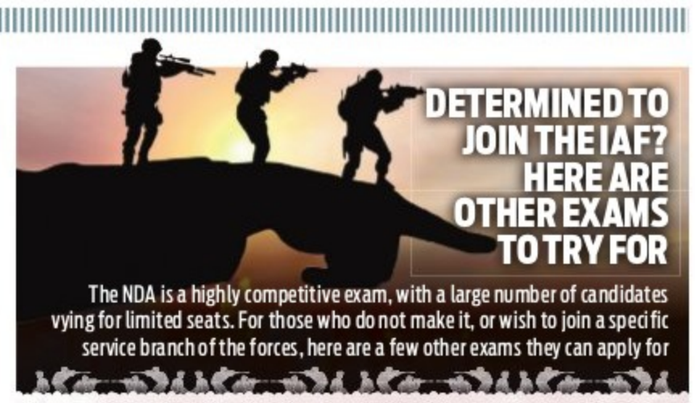
United States of America (USA)
Military exam: Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)
Eligibility: US Citizens and permanent Green Card holders
Sections: General science, automotive information, mechanical comprehension, electronics information, assembling objects, Math, reading
Physical test: Army PFT (Physical Fitness Test)

Israel
Military exam: IDF (Israel Defense Forces) Evaluation
Eligibility: All Israeli citizens, aged 16.5 to 17.5
Components: Written exams, interviews, psychological evaluation
Selection: Placement in units based on assessment

South Africa:
Military exam: South African National Defence Force (SANDF) Selection Process
Eligibility: South African citizens (without dual citizenship), aged 18 to 22
Stages: Psychometric tests, medical evaluation, fitness assessment, interview
Service divisions: Army, Air Force, Navy, Military Health Services

Australia
Military exam: Australian Defence Force YOU Session
Eligibility: Australian citizens, age limits vary depending on service
Components: Aptitude tests (Math, general reasoning, mechanical comprehension), medical exam, interview
Service options: Army, Navy, Air Force

China
Military exam: PLA (People's Liberation Army) Soldier Recruitment Test
Eligibility: Chinese citizens, aged 17 to 20
Sections: General knowledge, intelligence, aptitude
Additional requirements: Physical examination, political screening



DETERMINED TO JOIN THE IAF? HERE ARE OTHER EXAMS TO TRY FOR

The NDA is a highly competitive exam, with a large number of candidates vying for limited seats. For those who do not make it, or wish to join a specific service branch of the forces, here are a few other exams they can apply for

1. Combined Defence Services (CDS) exam: Graduates in any stream for the Army, in Engineering for the Navy and in Science or Engineering aged between 19-25 can apply for it
2. Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF): It is conducted by the UPSC for recruitment to paramilitary forces like the Border Security Force (BSF), Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) and Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB)
3. Air Force Common Admission Test (AFCAT): This is conducted by the IAF. Both male and female candidates, aged 20-26 (depending on the flying or non-flying branch) can apply
4. ICG Navik exam: Conducted by the Indian Coast Guard, it is for male and female candidates, aged between 18-22. The minimum qualification required for the exam is passing 10+2, with Math and Physics for General Duty (GD) and passing Class X for Domestic Branch (DB)
5. Agnipath Scheme: It was introduced in June 2022. The recruits selected through it are Agniveers who serve in one of the IAF branches for four years, including training for six months followed by 3.5 years of deployment

National Defence Academy

Here's what aspirants need to keep in mind

The National Defence Academy (NDA) and Naval Academy (NA) exam is held twice a year, and the second phase of the exam (NDA II 2023) is on September 3. The exam is for those who wish to join the Indian Armed Forces (IAF). Approximately, two to three lakh candidates appear for the exam per session, taking the number to over six lakh every year.

What are the eligibility criteria?

The NDA exam comes with extensive eligibility criteria, which must be strictly adhered to. Two of the most important criteria for the NDA exam are listed for interested candidates below. They are:

Citizenship: An aspirant must be a citizen of India, a subject of Nepal, or a person of Indian origin who has migrated from Pakistan, Burma, Sri Lanka and East African countries of Kenya, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia, Malawi, Zaire and Ethiopia or Vietnam, with the intention of permanently settling in India.

Age: The aspirants must be between 16.5 to 19.5 years old. For NDA II 2023, the candidate must have not been born earlier than January 2, 2005 and not later than January 1, 2008. The date of birth in the Class X certificate will be accepted.

What happens after selection?

Once the merit list is published, the selected candidates have to move to NDA in Khadakwasla, Pune, for a full-time residential study-cum-training programme for three years. On completion, they are awarded a UG degree and sent for a six-month specialised training.

Those joining the Army train at the Indian Military Academy (IMA), Dehradun, Uttarakhand; those joining the Navy move to the Indian Naval Academy (INA), Ezhimala, Kerala and those who choose Air Force go to the Air Force Academy (AFA) at Dundigal, Telangana. After the specialised training, the cadets are commissioned into the IAF.

How many selections are made each year?

Out of the total number of candidates, about 8,000 qualify for the SSB interview per session. Then, about 400 candidates are selected, totalling to about 800 selections per year. This number includes selections for all three wings of the IAF.

The vacancy for each wing is advertised in the NDA exam notification by the UPSC. Based on this, and the candidates' performance, selections are made. Usually, a gap is allowed after the first selection, in case any candidate wants to withdraw, meets with an accident or any other such circumstance. Then, if required, the second merit list is published.

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DAY'S DIARY

Sindhu bags silver

PV Sindhu won silver against Japan's Nozomi Okuhara in the women's singles final of the World Championships on this day in 2017

ENTRY TO INTERNATIONAL

Sindhu, who won junior badminton titles like All India Ranking Championship and Sub-Junior Nationals, was ready to compete at the international level

STRATEGY

Okuhara targeted Sindhu's corners to faulter to give her the match point to win the decider 22-20 and become the 2017 World Champion

MEDALS AND HISTORY

Pusarla Venkata Sindhu is the the first Indian woman to win two Olympic medals — a silver in 2016 Rio Olympics and a bronze at Tokyo 2020

Find out the latest events in the city

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'IT'S A HAPPY COINCIDENCE'

Rajeev Ravindranathan in *Rocketry: The Nambi Effect*

Soon after the success of Chandrayaan-3, *Rocketry* based on an ISRO scientist won a National Award. Actor Rajeev Ravindranathan, who was part of the film, shares his excitement

MONIKA MONALISA

IT was a regular working day for actor Rajeev Ravindranathan, who also juggles a career as an advertising professional, when the winners of 69th National Awards were announced. The actor played the role of Param, a scientist, in *Rocketry: The Nambi Effect*, which won the Best Feature Film. "At work, I was following the results. All of us, including Maddy (R Madhavan), had our fingers crossed about picking up some awards," says Ravindranathan.

To be honest, he says he had lost any sort of hope of winning. "It was the very last announcement to be made just as I was thinking, 'Gosh! We missed it this time too.' I didn't even think there was a Best Feature Film category. I had forgotten that there was an overall category for all languages," recalls Ravindranathan, who was also part of *3 idiots* (2009) which had also won a National Award.

Rocketry is based on ISRO scientist Nambi Narayanan, who was accused of espionage. Ravindranathan feels the film and award are a deserving tribute to the scientist. "The awards were announced a day after the success of Chandrayaan-3, which was powered by the Vikas engine. And Narayanan was one of the main persons to be involved the engine's development. So it's a happy coincidence," he says. Recalling his conversations with Madhavan, who wrote, produced and directed the movie, Ravindranathan says, "It just takes me back to when I read the script. I told Maddy I don't know why I didn't know Nambi previously. Growing up, the information I consumed had kept me away from what this man has done. The film was trying to set things right by narrating the story of Nambi. I wanted to be a part of the film in any capacity."

Since Madhavan is out of the country for a shoot, there was a virtual meet for the movie's core team. However, they plan is to meet in person soon. "For now, I watched the English version of the movie with my family which is out on Apple TV. We made three versions of the movie in Hindi, English and Tamil. Not dubbed, but shot simultaneously. I am just catching up on that," he concludes.

GRUB HUB

Aslam Gafoor (@aslamgafoor) is a hospitality professional with experience in business development, sales and marketing with well-known hotels, and food and beverage companies. A few of his passions are travel, food and wine, and he enjoys sharing these experiences as a columnist.

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2) Raksi 3) Heston Blumenthal

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2. Chitra Manjunath
3. Mahesh R

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CITY READ

Indian Oil hosts Hotelier Harmony Meet

A fusion of innovation, collaboration, and culinary mastery took centre stage at the Indane XtraTej Hotelier Harmony meet in Bengaluru. This event witnessed the convergence of luminaries from the hospitality industry, showcasing an amalgamation of gastronomic finesse, industry insights, and shared visions. Satish Kumar, director (Marketing), Indian Oil, revealed the brand new video commercial for the Indane XTRATEJ LPG brand. The commercial, featuring celebrity chef Sanjeev Kapoor, was unveiled in the presence of K Sailendra, executive director (LPG)-HO, P Gur Prasad, executive director & state head of Indian Oil in Karnataka, and Sandeep Sharma, executive director (Corporate Communications & Branding), HO.

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C. Krishniah Chetty Group of Jewellers Clinches Triple Awards for Exemplary Industry Leadership

Gems & Jewellery Industry Legend Award
Dr. C Vinod Hayagriv
40 Under 40 New Generation Leaders!
Chaitanya V Cotha
FORTY UNDER 40

C. Krishniah Chetty Group of Jewellers, a venerable name with a legacy spanning over 150 years in the Indian jewellery landscape, has added another gleaming chapter to its journey with a triumphant sweep of three consecutive awards. The coveted recognitions come as an acknowledgment of the brand's captivating journey, enduring industry leadership, and remarkable creativity.

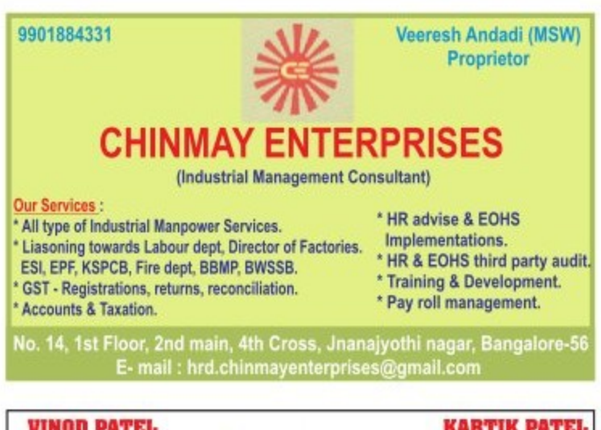
The latest accolades include the prestigious 'Bridal Ensemble Jewellery of the Year' at the esteemed Retail Jewellery India Awards 2023. Following this, the veteran in the industry Dr C. Vinod Hayagriv, the MD & Director of the brand was bestowed with the Industry Legend Award by the Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council (GJEPC), a momentous tribute to the enduring legacy. Then, Chaitanya V Cotha, the Executive Director at C. Krishniah Chetty, was honored the "40 under 40" category at the event organized by the Gems and Jewellery Export Promotion Council (GJEPC).

The 'Bridal Ensemble Jewellery of the Year' award stands as a testament to the brand's artistic ingenuity. An ornate blend of diamonds, South Sea Pearls, and rubies, the winning creation encapsulates the bride's individuality, weaving style and grace into a singular masterpiece – a true investment in elegance. Crafted from the finest 18K white gold, the ornament bears a weighty presence, further amplified by a gross weight of 201.690 grams and a net weight of 191.328 grams. The radiant rubies, totaling 19.26 carats, ignite the piece with intense passion, while the delicate South Sea Pearls, weighing 5.250 carats, bestow ethereal grace. Diamonds, weighing a total of 46.56 carats, gracefully dance along the surface, capturing opulence in every facet.

The Legends Award, a pinnacle of grandeur, was earned by Dr C. Vinod Hayagriv, at the illustrious IIJS Celebration Night, an event that echoes like a gem's resplendent facets. Dr. C Vinod Hayagriv, the esteemed Managing Director of C Krishniah Chetty Group, accepted the award with humility, a testament to the brand's commitment to the industry and its clients.

Dr. C Vinod Hayagriv shared, "This award is not just for me. It reflects the care and camaraderie that binds us within the industry and with each client we serve."

Under the "40 under 40" initiative, Chaitanya V Cotha, the Executive Director of C. Krishniah Chetty Group, shone as a rising star. Reflecting on the award, Chaitanya said, "This '40 Under 40' recognition isn't just about individual achievements, but a collective spirit of innovation, collaboration, and relentless pursuit of becoming better. This honor is a testament to our team's dedication and hard work."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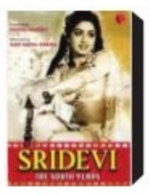
BOOK NOOK

Booming Brands Inspiring Journeys of 11 'Made in India' Brands

By Harsh Pamnani

The author shares the journeys of 11 'Made in India' brands that left their mark in competitive markets. This fun, informative read blends business lessons for new-age entrepreneurs with insights into the humans behind these remarkable brands.



Sridevi: The South Years

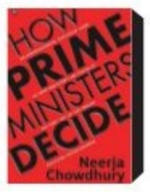
By Amborish Roychoudhury

The author looks at her career as an actor. Interspersed with interviews and insights from filmmakers and journalists who worked with Sridevi, it gives a glimpse into the making of India's first female superstar.

Bantering with Bandits and Other True Tales of India

By Annie Zaidi

Bringing together the personal and political, the essays in the book offer a clear-eyed and unflinching view of lesser-known aspects of our country and its people.



How Prime Ministers Decide

By Neerja Chowdhury

Based on interviews done with Prime Ministers, politicians, bureaucrats, and even fixers, the book provides insights obtained from over forty years of high-level reporting on national politics.

WHAT WHEN WHY WHERE

Musical celebration

Go for an Onam celebration like no other with Onam Bash, a musical extravaganza featuring the band South Soul. Experience the soulful melodies and foot-tapping beats that span across languages, cultures, and genres.

WHEN: Aug 28, 9.30pm
WHERE: Indigo XP, Koramangala
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Special Sadhya

Go for an unforgettable culinary experience at Stone Street, as they bring the essence of Onam to life with a grand Onam Sadhya, capturing the rich cultural flavours and traditions of this joyous festival. **WHEN:** Aug 29, 12pm **WHERE:** Old Madiwala; BTM Layout

Nightly Tales

Get transported to a world of diverse emotions and captivating tales at this immersive storytelling experience. Gather around a bonfire with like-minded people and listen to a curated selection of stories that span the realms of adventure, mystery, and more.

WHEN: Aug 29, 7pm
WHERE: Small World: S.T. Bed, Koramangala
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Theatre Time

Witness the dramatic portrayal of Kannada poet DR Bendre's inspiring life with *Gangavatharana*, that brings alive the triumphs, and struggles of the Jnanpith-winning poet on stage.

WHEN: Aug 29, 7.30pm
WHERE: Ranga Shankara, JP Nagar **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

Laughter Riot

Go for an evening of hearty laughter and comedic brilliance at Comedy Nights and get over the Monday blues.

WHEN: Aug 28, 7pm onwards **WHERE:** Just BLR, Brigade Road **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

FUN WITH COLOURS

Artwork by father-daughter duo, Dhimant and Kavya Vyas, exhibited at Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath, till August 31 | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

QUICK FIX

KEERAI SOUP

Contributed by **Uma Sridharan,** Chennai

INGREDIENTS

- **Any greens:** 1 cup
- **Big onion:** 1
- **Butter:** 1 tbsp
- **Tomato:** 1
- **Moong dal:** 1/4 cup
- **Salt and pepper**: to taste

METHOD

- In a pressure cooker, add greens, tomato, chopped onion and moong dal.
- Add enough water. Pressure cook for five to six whistles.
- Blend them into a smooth paste.
- Add enough water. If the puree is thick make it into soupy consistency.
- Add salt and pepper powder. Serve hot with a dollop of butter for added taste and flavour.

What's cooking in your kitchen?

We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com

FIT BIT

ADVASANA VARIATION SHOULDER RAISED

(REVERSE CORPSE POSE VARIATION SHOULDERS RAISED)

In Sanskrit, 'adva' means prone and 'asana' means pose. It is a basic relaxation and restorative pose. It reduces fatigue, stress and anxiety. It is the reverse of Savasana. If desired, a mantra may be chanted silently in sync with the breath.

STEPS

- Lie down on your belly and chest in Advasana and take a few breaths.
- Place your arms alongside your body with hands down and elbows bent, relax your shoulders, keep your forehead on the mat.
- Stretch out your legs and feet. Relax your feet and turn inward.
- Make sure both your palms are adjacent to your shoulders.
- Ensure the head and spine are in a straight line, with your eyes closed.
- Take slow and deep breaths, focusing on inhaling and exhaling.
- Make your body comfortable.
- Focus on breathing and relax.
- Now, raise your shoulders from the ground, and hold the pose as long as you are comfortable.
- While keeping your eyes closed take some long deep breaths bringing your attention back to your environment and body.
- When you experience perfection, you can open your eyes slowly.
- If you feel waist or spine problems, you can put a blanket or pillow below the knee.

BENEFITS

- Strengthens shoulder muscles.
- Helps get into a state of deep meditation.
- Stabilises the body.
- Opens the Ajna (third eye) that is associated with imagination, clairvoyance and inner knowledge.
- Stimulates the Manipura (solar plexus) chakra, associated with confidence, vitality, self-esteem and the power of transformation.
- Increases concentration which improves memory.
- Relieves stress from body .
- Controls blood pressure.
- Keeps the internal system healthy and strong.
- Enhances blood circulation and nourishes organs, muscles, fibers, and tendons of the human system.

LIMITATIONS

Pregnant women should not attempt this pose.

People with injury on the back or waist, do this by bending your knees and keeping your feet on the ground.

By N Elumalai, PhD Scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

NOW STREAMING

REGIONAL

HIGHWAY LOVE (Hindi)

Two individuals whose lives intersect on a desolate highway embark on a journey of love, redemption, and self-discovery, unravelling their pasts and embracing their true selves along the way.

Cast: Gayatri Bhardwaj, Ritvik Sahore, Anshuman Malhotra

- **Watch on:** Amazon MiniTv

1920: HORRORS OF THE HEART (Hindi)

A young girl walks into a world of darkness in search of revenge, but it consumes her, making her a victim of that very revenge.

Cast: Avika Gor, Rahul Dev

- **Watch on:** Disney+ Hotstar

BHAAG SAALE (Telugu)

A smart and young chap gets into big trouble: he must defy a big-time goon to retrieve something priceless and gain back his love.

Cast: Sri Simha Koduri, Neha Solanki

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

HALF CA (Hindi, series)

Two CA aspirants from two different ends of the spectrum, Archie and Niraj, embark on the journey of one of the toughest courses and face the obstacles it has to offer.

Cast: Gyanendra Tripathi, Ahsaas Channa, Anmol Kajani

- **Watch on:** Amazon MiniTV

KATHAR BASHA ENDRA MUTHURAMALINGAM (Tamil)

Kathar, an honest man from a village in the Ramanathapuram district, puts up a fight against the rowdy gangster Nana. In this battle between good and evil, who will survive?

Cast: Arya, Siddhi Idnani, Prabhu

- **Watch on:** ZEE5

All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.

MATHAGAM (Tamil)

A sincere IPS officer, takes on a crime syndicate, led by an evil mastermind.

Cast: Sharath Ravi, Nikhila Vimal

- **Watch on:** Disney+ Hotstar

RUDRANGI (Telugu)

Set during the 1940s, the story is about a ruthless monarch and womaniser, Bheem Rao Deshmukh. Bheem Rao rules Rudrangi. Meera Bhai is his wife, but to fulfil his limitless lust, he marries Jwala Bhai. One day he comes across a woman named Rudrangi, and he falls for her. But he learns a shocking fact about her.

Cast: Jagapathi Babu, Mamta Mohandas, Vimala Raman

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

FOREIGN

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS: HONOUR AMONG THIEVES (English)

A charming thief and a band of unlikely adventurers embark on an epic quest to retrieve a long-lost relic, but their charming adventure goes dangerously awry when they run afoul of the wrong people.

Cast: Sophia Lillis, Chris Pine

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

CONFIDENTIAL ASSIGNMENT 2: INTERNATIONAL (Korean)

Im Chul Ryung heads back to South Korea in pursuit of a brutal and secret criminal organisation.

Cast: Hyun Bin, Im Yoon-ah, Daniel Henney

- **Watch on:** SonyLiv

INSIDIOUS: THE RED DOOR (English)

Josh Lambert heads east to drop his son, Dalton, off at college. However, Dalton's college dream soon becomes a living nightmare when the repressed demons of his past suddenly return to haunt them both.

Cast: Ty Simpkins, Patrick Wilson, Lin Shaye

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

MARRY MY DEAD BODY (Taiwanese)

A straight policeman who is homophobic and ghost-phobic accidentally picks up a red wedding envelope while collecting evidence. He finds himself betrothed to the envelope's owner, Mao Pang-Yu, a gay man who died under mysterious circumstances.

Cast: Greg Hsu, Austin Lin, Gingle Wang

- **Watch on:** Netflix

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SonyLIV:	₹299/month

LEKSHMI C PILLAI

BRED IN THE WILD, TAMED FOR THE STREETS

Aggressive like an SUV, yet subtle like a sedan, the Citroen C3 Aircross is certain to impress all with its unwavering focus on practicality over bombastic flourishes

CITROEN, the over-100-year-old French automobile brand, is the latest entrant in the mid-size SUV market in India, one of the hotly-contested segments in the car market. Though the industry standard in this segment is 5-seater vehicles, Citroen hopes to go one-up over the others with their C3 Aircross, which boasts a 5+2-seater version. The company calls it 5+2 and not 7 because two seats on the third row can be folded and moved, thereby giving more space inside the vehicle. This is one of the most obvious highlights of the C3 Aircross. But we went to Mahabalipuram, Chennai, to look under the car's hood, then inside it, and beyond to bring you all its details that aren't as readily apparent. Read on…

Looks

The C3 Aircross has a very attractive body and shares much with its older sibling, the C3, but is longer and bigger. In fact, the iconic silhouette and imposing stance of the Aircross lends it the aggression of an SUV, while at the same time, the smooth, uninterrupted curves across the shoulders make it strikingly sophisticated like a sedan.

Elements like Dual-LED DRLs and 3D-effect rear tail lamps, too, add to its elegant design. Also noteworthy are the front grille – what perhaps differentiates Aircross from its smaller sibling at first glance, the plastic claddings that scale up its size and the 17-inch alloy wheels.

Insides

The main focus of the C3 Aircross, it seems, is space. More space means that it can accommodate seven passengers, two more than other vehicles in the mid-SUV segment. However, it does come at the expense of a few features. But 'minimalism' is the name of the game they have employed.

But that is not to say that the vehicle is without its flourishes. While boasting a non-frills experience, Aircross brings their A-game with a 26-centimetre HD touchscreen infotainment system and a 17.78-centimetre colour digital information cluster. This is further bolstered with access to 35 smart features with next-gen MyCitroen Connect.

The seats, too, are very comfortable, with the second row having slight variations depending on whether you seat five or seven passengers. In the former variant, there is a central armrest. What perhaps makes up for this deficit in the 7-seater variant is the fact that the seats can be reclined far enough to ensure comfortable journeys, no matter how long. The class-leading wheelbase of 2,671mm, ample leg room and headroom, too, add to the comforts.

The AC controls are manual. The roof-mounted blower ensures that even those seated on the third row also get their due share of the cooling wind. The boot space is 444 litres in the five-seater variant and 511 litres in the 5+2 variant (when two seats are folded).

Switches to the wind window glasses for the back row are placed on the console between the front seats. This is part of the many cost-cutting measures. Some other features that are absent in the C3 Aircross: Provision for a wireless charger, a sunroof, a 360-degree camera, ventilated seats, etc. Also, only two airbags are provided as of now. This will be changed as and when the rule of six airbags comes into force next year.

Engine

The C3 Aircross is a very smooth and cool performer. It is powered by a 110hp 1.2-litre turbo petrol engine mated to a six-speed manual gearbox. The company informs that the automatic model will be rolled out within six months. The electric C3 Aircross is also on the anvil.

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FORTNIGHLY SEGMENT ON WHAT'S REVVING UP IN THE AUTOMOTIVE SECTOR

For now, the vehicle boasts a fuel economy of 18.5kmpl, a 20-centimetre clearance, hill hold assist, precise steering, tireless engine-gearbox combo, comfortable suspension, well-cushioned seats, high-speed stability, etc. All these help one drive the vehicle in that quintessential 'SUV spirit'.

While the engine is a very peppy one, an automatic gear box would have made it more enjoyable. In any case, the C3 Aircross performs very well, even on off-road conditions. It gets 200mm of ground clearance, an approach angle of 20.5 degrees, and departure angle of 25 degrees, which really helps.

Verdict

The C3 Aircross is a capable car, but not rich in features. It rides on utility and practicality. The car's tuned steering and advanced Citroen suspension are designed to absorb every undulation so that we can enjoy adventures with utmost ease. Whatever be the road condition, the C3 Aircross offers exceptional travel comfort. With price control efforts very evident, we expect to be priced as the 'affordable midsize SUV'. The C3 Aircross is set for launch in September-October.

The writer is a freelance auto expert who hosts TV shows and anchors the YouTube channel 'CARKADUVA'

NEW RELEASES

New Mercedes-Benz GLC

Luxury carmaker Mercedes-Benz India has launched the second generation of its mid-size luxury SUV, the New GLC. With numerous feature enhancements now offered as standard, new efficient engines, the latest generation NTG-7 telematics, and superior driving dynamics; the new GLC promises to continue its success story in India, making it both a highly desirable and practical luxury SUV. The New GLC comes with a powerful turbocharged four-cylinder engine with a second-generation integrated starter generator (ISG) and 48-volt mild hybrid system. It is also the first Mercedes-Benz SUV to get the latest generation of MBUX (Mercedes-Benz User Experience) infotainment system. The luxury SUV will be offered with 2 powertrains: GLC 300 4MATIC (Petrol) and Diesel GLC 220d 4MATIC (Diesel). The GLC 300 is priced at ₹ 73.5 lakh and GLC 220d at ₹ 74.5 lakh (Prices all-India ex-showroom)

Mahindra Thar.e

Mahindra Electric Automobiles Limited (MEAL) has unveiled 'Vision Thar.e', an electric evolution of its legendary off-roader. It is a daring, distinct design transformation that continues to embody the spirit of Mahindra's authentic SUV. The Thar.e boldly strides into the future on the INGLO-born electric platform, equipped with a cutting-edge high-performance AWD electric powertrain. Incorporating 50 per cent recycled PET and recyclable uncoated plastics, Thar.e's construction showcases a sincere commitment to environmental stewardship. Featuring adaptable, modular, and swappable components, Thar.e also reflects an innovative approach to electric SUV construction.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

CHANGE OF NAME

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SHANTHA KUMARI** W/o **S P Gopalakrishna** R/at No.108, M S Garden, Bannerghatta Road, Gottigere, Bengaluru- 560083, have changed my name to **SHANTAKUMARI A N** vide affidavit dated: 24/8/2023 Before Notary **G.R.Rajanna** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) JANCY, Mother of No. 16116520M L/NK Jeffin Franis.P, residing at Parackkal House, Chendamangalam, Gothuruth (Post) Moothakunnam, Ernakulam (Dist) Kerala (State) PIN:683516, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) JANCY FRANCIS** vide affidavit Dated 23/08/2023 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Service No.16117104P NK KAARANKI SIVAJI of Unit RHQ CAMP, 7 ENGR REGT, C/o 99 APO, PIN: 914009, have changed my son name **(OLD NAME) KARANKI REVANTH** to **(NEW NAME) KAARANKI REVANTH** vide affidavit dated: 23.08.2023 sworn before notary Meer Hassan, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) SHAIK KARIMUNNISA mother of No.16124450N, SPR SHAIK MOULALI, residing at House No.3 -46, Pedamatlapudi (Vill & Post), Nagaram (MD) Guntur (Dist), Andhra Pradesh (State), PIN: 522314, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) KARIMUNNISA** vide affidavit dated: 22.08.2023 sworn before notary Gangaraju B.N, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
We, Rajendra (Father), Kansara (Mother) & Sarweshwar (Son) R/a. No.G-203 soundhamini apartment , near Art of living Ashram, Udayapura village, Kanakapura Road, Bangalore-560082. We have changed our name from Rajendra To **RAJENDRA NARENDRA KANSARA**, from Kansara to **SHRADDHA RAJENDRA KANSARA** & our minor Son name from Sarweshwar to **SARWESHWAR RAJENDRA KANSARA**. Vide Affidavit Date: 24.07.2023. Sworn before Notary: Ambreshappa.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, G. RITHIKSHA (New Name) daughter of No. 13898825A, Ex TS, Naik Mr. G. GANESH BABU, presently R/at No. 672, 4th Cross, Veerabhadrappa Street, R.S. Palya, Kammanahalli Main Road, M.S. Nagar, Bangalore-560033, have changed my name from **G. RETHISHA to G. RITHIKSHA,** vide affidavit dated 24-08-2023, before Notary **A. GERARD,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SHABREEN TAJ A** R/o No.62, 11th Cross, Lakshmi Layout, Arekere, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore - 560076 declares that I have changed my name as **SAFURA** w.e.f. 18-06-2011, vide affidavit dated 24.08.2023, sworn before notary T.V. Bhadravijaya, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **ZAYEEM FIROZ HUSSAIN,** Aged about 18 years, S/o. Firoz Hirelal Hussain Mirza, No 86, 3rd Cross, Huskur Road, GPR Royale Layout, Bangalore - 560100, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **ZAYEEM HUSSAIN** to **ZAYEEM FIROZ HUSSAIN** vide affidavit dated 23.08.2023 sworn to before K.V. Mani, Advocate and Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **VIVEK SINGHAL** (New Name), S/o Shivkumar Singhal, residing at No.167, 3rd Cross, Anugraha Layout, Bukkasagara, Bangalore-560083, Karnataka, India, that I have changed my name from **VIVEK KUMAR SINGHAL** (Old Name) to **VIVEK SINGHAL** (New Name), henceforth, I shall be known and called **VIVEK SINGHAL** (New Name) only for all purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 26/08/2023, before Notary MOHAMMED HUSSAIN K, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, ABHISHEK S/o. Ramniwas Aged 25 years R/o #120/4, 4th cross, MSR Hospital Road, Bangalore, Karnataka, 560094, have changed my name from ABHISHEK to ABHISHEK CHAUDHARY vide Affidavit dated 26th August 2023 before notary AMBIKA. S, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
We, **Mr. GIRISH SADASIVAPPA,** aged about 44 years, **S/o Sri.Sadashivappa R,** and **Mrs. JYOTHI BASAVARAJAPPA HALIMANI,** aged about 44 years, W/o **Mr. Girish Sadasivappa** both residing at No.342, 5th A Main Road, Remco Layout, Hampinagar, Bengaluru – 560 104, do hereby solemnly affirm that we have changed our minor daughter's Name from **SAMIKSHA GIRISH to SAMEKSHA GIRISSH** vide affidavit dated. **26.08.2023** sworn to before **Advocate & Notary H S Sakalesh Aradhya,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
We, Mr. UNNIKRISHNAN EDAVAN VEETIL S/o Krishnan Nambiar aged about 51 years and MRS. USHAMANI UNNIKRISHNAN, W/o Unnikrishnan Edavan Veetil, aged about 46 years, residents of Flat No. F 07, Cansa Heights, Behind Gear College, Doddakannelli, Bangalore - 560035, India, we have changed our son name from UDITH KRISHNAN KALLIADAN THAZHATH VEEDU to UDITH KRISHNAN KALYADAN THAZHATH Vide Affidavit dated 26-08-2023 sworn to before Notary Public, B.M. Chandrashekar, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SHAMPA MAHANTY** M/o **Chandrakala Mahanty** R/at Flat No.B5-1906, 19th Floor, L and T South City Apartment, Near Apollo Pharmacy, Arekere Mico Layout Bengaluru - 560076, have changed my name to **SHOMPA MAHANTY** vide affidavit dated: 24/8/2023 Before Notary **G.R.Rajanna** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I,(OLDNAME)VENKATESWARAMMA mother of No.16117104P, NK, KAARANKI SIVAJI, residing at Dindi (Vill) Ganapeswaram (Post), Nagayalanka (Taluk), Krishna (Dlit), Andhra Pradesh (State), PIN: 521120, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) KARANKI VENKATESWARAMMA** vide affidavit dated: 23.08.2023 sworn before notary Meer Hassan, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) AINILA GEETHANJALI RAO, Spouse of No. 15328992H Hav Jagannayakulu Vandrasi, residing at Kolluru (Vill) Mattam Sariapallai (Post) Kanchili (Tehsil) Srikakulam (Dist) Andhra Pradesh (State) PIN:532291, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) VANDRASI GITANJALI** vide affidavit Dated 19/08/2023 sworn before Notary S.I.Balaguru, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) MARUTI, Father of No. 15333283X Hav Yuvaraj Patil, residing at Halaga (Vill) Halaga (Post) Khanapur (Tehsil) Belagavi (Dist) Karnataka (State) PIN:591302, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) MARUTI RAMCHANDRA PATIL** vide affidavit Dated 17/08/2023 sworn before Notary S.I.Balaguru, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, SAVITHA BENEDICTA BRAGGS, aged about 41 years, W/o Michael Shammy Braggs, presently R/at Flat No. 214, ACAS CRESCENT SQUARE, Doddakammanahalli Main Road, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-560076, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SAVITHA BRAGGS to SAVITHA BENEDICTA BRAGGS,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SAVITHA BENEDICTA BRAGGS** only, vide affidavit dated 24-08-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **T.R. RAGHAVENDRA RAO** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, G. DHARNESHA (New Name) daughter of No. 13898825A, Ex TS, Naik Mr. G. GANESH BABU, presently R/at No. 672, 4th Cross, Veerabhadrappa Street, R.S. Palya, Kammanahalli Main Road, M.S. Nagar, Bangalore-560033, have changed my name from **ROSHINI to G. DHARNESHA,** vide affidavit dated 24-08-2023, before Notary **A. GERARD,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SHASHIKALA MELUKOTE KRISHNEGOWDA,** W/o. Late Nagaraju Pura Nanjegowda, Aged about 54 years, Residing at Pura Village, Hirikalale Post, Kasaba Hobli, K.R. Pete, Mandya, Karnataka - 571 423, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SHASHIKALA** to **SHASHIKALA MELUKOTE KRISHNEGOWDA** vide affidavit dated 26.8.2023 sworn to before K.G. Rajpal, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
WE (1) SYED MUZAMIL Son of Syed Khader Basha, aged about 41 years (2) SYEEEDA SAJEEDA, wife of Mr. Syed Muzamil, aged about 29 years, both residing No. 37/1 4th E Cross, Kavalbyrasandra, M.M. Layout, R.T. Nagar, Bangalore - 560 032, have changed our minor daughter's name from **SYED GOUSIYA** to **SYEDA GHOUSIYA FATHIMA,** vide affidavit dated 10/3/2023 sworn to before A.Idinabba advocate and notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Asha Thimmarayappa** W/o Thimmarayappa A, residing at Thurunisi Thrunasi, Malur, Kolar -563139, have change my name from **ASHA THIMMARAYAPPA** (Old Name) **To** **ASHA SONNAPPA** (New Name) vide affidavit dated 25.08.2023 sworn to before Advocate & Notary **B.S PADMA PRASAD** Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) MOUNIKA PARISA, Spouse of No. 16117104P NK Kaaranki Sivaji, residing at Dindi (Vill) Ganapeswaram (Post) Nagayalanka (Taluk) Krishna (Dist) Andhra Pradesh (State) PIN:521120, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) KAARANKI MOUNIKA** vide affidavit Dated 23/08/2023 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) KAARANKI MAHALAKSHMAIAH father of No.16117104P NK KAARANKI SIVAJI, residing at Dindi (Vill), Ganapeswaram (Post)Nagayalanka (Taluk), Krishna (Dist), Andhra Pradesh (State), PIN: 521120, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) KARANKI MAHA LAKSHMAIAH** vide affidavit dated: 23.08.2023 sworn before notary Meer Hassan, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) SNEHAL** spouse of No.15333283X, HAV YUVARAJ PATIL residing at Halaga (Vill), Halaga (Post), Khariapur (Tehsil), Belagavi (Dist), Karnataka (State), PIN: 591302, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) SNEHAL YUVARAJ PATIL** vide Affidavit dated 17.08.23 sworn before Notary S.I.Balaguru, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, ARIFULLA, S/o Late Shaik Azmath Pasha, aged about 56 years, R/at No. 1/2783, Vinayakam Road,N.R. Extension, Chintamani Town, Chikaballapur District-563125, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **ARIFULLA to AREEFULLA,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **AREEFULLA** only, vide affidavit dated 21-08-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **ANWAR KHAN** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Sri Prakash,** S/o Sri Late Nagindrappa, age 45 years, R/at NO. 74/2, 6th Cross, Bahubalinagar, Bangalore North, Jalahalli, Bangalore-560 013 do hereby declare that I have changed my son's name from **PRATEEK DADAGI** to **PRATEEK,** henceforth he shall be known and called as **PRATEEK** only for all purposes, also in his school records father name should be changed as **PRAKASH** in place of **PRAKASH DADAGI** and mother's name should be changed as **MAMATA** in place of **MAMATA DADAGI,** vide affidavit dated 17-8-2023, sworn before 24th Addl. Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **Rajesh C Deshmukh,** S/o. C.S. Deshamukh, Aged about 37 years, residing at L-121, 4th Main, 6th Sector, HSR Layout, Bengaluru - 560 102, do hereby declare that my name is **Rajesh C Deshmukh** but in all my records my name is mentioned as **Rajesh C. Deshamukh.** Hereafter I use my name as **Rajesh C. Deshamukh** in future correspondence. Vide affidavit dated 15.07.2023 sworn to before Puttaramaiah, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **S. VIJAYAMMA,** W/o **A Suresh,** Residing at No.64, 2nd Main, Balaji Layout,Bangalore South, Bengaluru-560100, Karnataka, have changed my name from **S.VIJAYAMMA** to **VIJAYA .S,** vide affidavit dated 24/08/2023sworn before notary B.K.R. Krishnamurthy, Reg No.1351, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **KALLAPPA** S/o Siddappa residing at Suragondanahalli, Kamalapura Post, Honnavalli Hobli, Tiptur Taluk, Tumkur District, my son **MR. SIDDEGOWDA S K** and his School documents, Pan Card, Voter ID and other documents my name is mentioned as **KALLESHAPPA.** Hence I hereby declaring that both **KALLAPPA** and **KALLESHAPPA** are myself only i. e. **KALLAPPA.** Vide affidavit dated 07th August 2023 sworn before notary C V Earappa, B.Com, LLB, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) MINABA M MAKWANA, Spouse of No. 16118576X SPR Makwana Mangalsinh Jenusinh, residing at Hapa (Vill) Hapa (Post) Himmatnagar (Tehsil) Sabarkanth (Himmatnagar) Dist Gujarat (State) PIN:383001, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) MAKWANA MINABA MANGALSINH** vide affidavit Dated 18/08/2023 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I,(OLD NAME) PARWATI mother of No.15333283X, hav, YUVARAJ PATIL, residing at Halaga (Vill), Halaga (Post), Khanapur (Tehsil), Belagavi (Dist), Karnataka (State), PIN: 591302, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) PARVATI PATIL** vide affidavit dated: 17.08.2023 sworn before notary S.I.Balaguru, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Service No.15328324M, NK KATRE REKHCHAND MANGRU of Unit RHQ CAMP 7 ENGR REGT C/o 99 APO, PIN: 914007, have changed by name **(OLD NAME) KATRE REKHCHAND MANGRU** to **(NEW NAME) REKHCHAND MANGARU KATRE** vide Affidavit dated 19.08.23 sworn before Notary S.I.Balaguru, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, G.R. USHA (Existing Name of Spouse as per change of next of kind record/service documents), spouse of No. 13898825A, Ex TS, Naik Mr. G. GANESH BABU, presently R/at No. 672, 4th Cross, Veerabhadrappa Street, R.S. Palya, Kammanahalli Main Road, M.S. Nagar, Bangalore-560033, have changed my name from **G.R. USHA** (Exisiting Name of Spouse as per change of next of kind record/service documents) to G. USHA (Proposed/adopted New Name) vide affidavit dated 24-08-2023, before Notary **A. GERARD,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **NAWAB JOHN NOOR BASHA** R/o No.D306, Concorde Spring Meadows, Hesaraghatta Main Road, Bone Mill, Opp Total Mart Chikkasandra, Bangalore - 560057 have changed my name as **NAVAB JAN NOOR BASHA** vide affidavit dated 24.08.2023 sworn before notary T.V. Bhadravijaya, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **ANUSHA PARTHIBAN @ ANUSHA .P,** Aged about 21 years, D/o. Parthiban .N, R/at No. 6, 1st Main, B.D.A. Layout, Vasanthapura, Banashankari 5th Stage, Bengaluru South, Bengaluru - 560 061, do hereby declare that both the names i.e., **ANUSHA PARTHIBAN** and **ANUSHA .P** are one and the same and both the names belongs to me only and for non others and in future I will continue my name only as **ANUSHA PARTHIBAN** for all correspondence and transactions. Vide affidavit dated 26.8.2023 sworn to before Sumithra .N, Advocate & Notary, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

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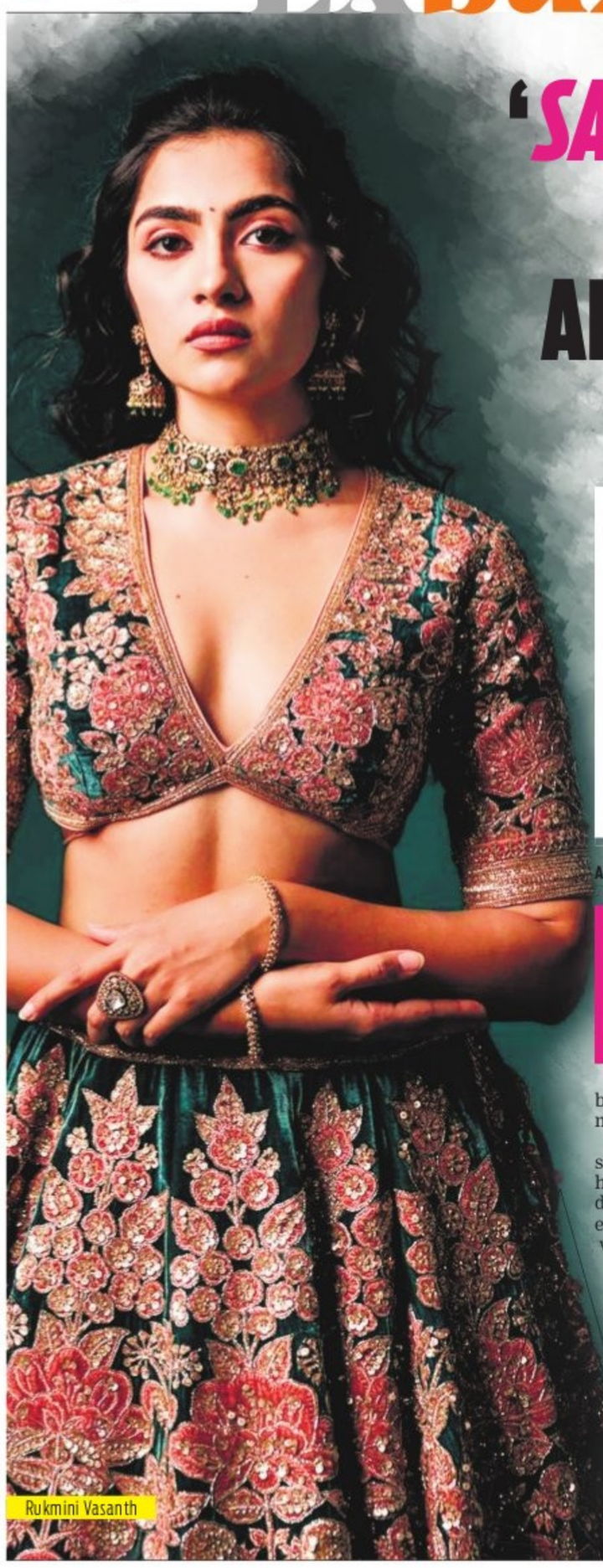
Rukmini Vasanth

'SAPTA SAGARADAACHE YELLO HAS GREATLY EVOLVED MY ARTISTRY AND PERCEPTIONS'

...says Rukmini Vasanth, who discusses her upcoming release, and shares details about her role, and working with Rakshit Shetty in the romantic drama directed by Hemanth M Rao

A still from the film

A SHARADHAA

RUKMINI Vasanth made quite a mark in her debut film, *Birbal Trilogy* (2019). Now, with Rakshit Shetty's *Sapta Sagaradaache Yello*, directed by Hemanth M Rao, Rukmini is set to make a bigger splash in Kannada cinema with her sophomore effort.

Apart from making a solid start in her career, Rukmini has signed a slew of films, each distinct in its genre, and interesting in its content. Her next venture is *Baanadariyalli* alongside Ganesh. She's also part of Shivarajkumar's *Bhairathi Ranagal prequel* directed by Narthan and is making her Tamil debut with Vijay Sethupathi.

Discussing *Sapta...*, a romantic drama that will hit screens on September 1, Rukmini begins by telling one of her favourite romantic films of all time. *Mouna Ragam...* The film deeply stirred emotions with its mysterious ambience and meticulous craftsmanship," says Rukmini.

Billing *Sapta...* as a high-intensity drama that came at the right time, Rukmini shares, "I see this film as a twist of fate. It emerged during a time of uncertainty – the anomaly of Covid. Amidst these strange occurrences, a series of events fell into place, leading me here. Portraying this role went beyond the usual process; it signifies a significant achievement."

In *Sapta...*, Rukmini plays Priya, and she reveals that it is a character that she sought after instead of waiting for it to come to her. "When I found out they were looking for a female lead, I approached Hemanth. In our initial conversation, he explored my cinematic preferences, acting style, and likes. I expressed my affinity towards roles with depth because they submerge you, urging you to swim amidst uncertainty. In many ways, this journey of *Sapta...* is exactly that, and it has greatly evolved my artistry and self-perception." Rukmini shares.

Talking about working with Rakshit Shetty, Rukmini mentions that they adopted a individual approach to bring to life the characters of Manu and Priya. "Rakshit's unwavering support strengthened our on-set bond. Workshop sessions further solidified our connection," she shares. As for becoming Priya, a singer, in *Sapta...*, Rukmini states, "Stepping into Priya's shoes was straightforward, unburdened by method acting. Hemanth's direction provided essential cues without overwhelming us, allowing flexibility within the script's framework. Priya's essence harmonises with Manu's vibe."

Through the understanding of her craft, Rukmini observes the preference for relatable films that could attract a bigger audience isn't the only way to bring in footfall. "Today I notice a shift towards telling our own unique story, offering a distinct viewing experience. This is my world, and the prospect is incredibly exciting. I believe that relatability isn't always necessary to draw people in. Sometimes, you want to explore a new world, a different culture. It's about escapism, which is a truly beautiful concept. Cinema wields tremendous power, engaging the ears, eyes, and minds of countless individuals in every scene, allowing you to share your narrative, your cultural perspective," concludes Rukmini, promising an "experiential voyage through emotions and masterful storytelling."

With music by Charan Raj, and cinematography by Advaitha Gurumurthy, *Sapta Sagaradacha Yello* also stars Chaithra Achar, and the film will be out in two parts.

Ganesh

The Ganesh-starrer *Baanadariyalli* gets a new release date

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BAANADARIYALLI, starring Ganesh, initially set to premiere on March 17 alongside *Kabzaa,* was pushed to a later date at the last minute. The romantic-adventure directed by Preetham Gubbi will now hit the theatres on September 15. The film stars Ganesh as a cricketer, with Rukmini Vasanth and Reeshma Nanaiah, starring alongside the Goldenstar. This film marks Ganesh's fourth collaboration with Preetham. The filmmaker had earlier worked as a co-writer on *Mungare Male* and he also directed Ganesh in *Maleyalli Jotheyalli, Dil Rangeela,* and *99*. The story for *Baanadariyalli* is written by cinematographer Preetha Jayaraman, with a screenplay by Preetham. The title draws inspiration from the popular song of the same name sung by the late Puneeth Rajkumar in the movie *Baana Daariyalli*. Arjun Janya has scored the music for the film and the latest song sung by Arman Malik, was unveiled by Ashwini Puneeth Rajkumar.

Janardhan Chikkanna and Diganth collaborate on upcoming comedy, *Powder*

Sharmiela Mandre, Diganth and Dhanya Ramkumar

Powder is a lighthearted comedy set in a small village and revolves around a group of miscreants in pursuit of a valuable treasure. –Janardhan Chikkanna, director

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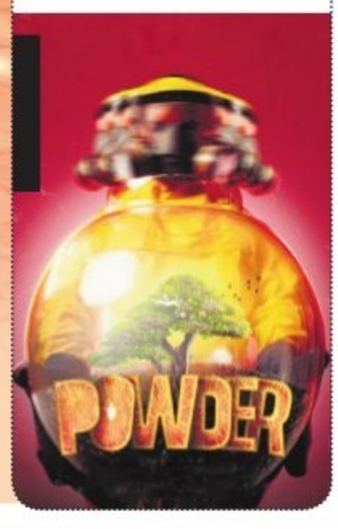
KRG Studios, in collaboration with TVF Motion Pictures, announced their maiden venture recently. Kichcha Sudeep was the special guest at the event, and slammed the clapboard for the first scene of the film, titled *Powder*.

Directed by *Gultoo*-fame Janardhan Chikkanna, *Powder* will be a multistarrer starring Diganth, Sharmiela Mandre, Dhanya Ramkumar, Anirudh Acharya, Rangayana Raghu, Achyuth Kumar, and Ravi Shankar Gowda.

The makers revealed a first-look poster, and according to the director, *Powder* is a lighthearted comedy set in a small village and revolves around a group of miscreants in pursuit of a valuable treasure. This movie endeavours to entertain the audience with its engaging and entertaining storytelling.

The makers plan to begin shooting in September. Karthik Gowda, who is jointly producing the film with Yogi G Raj and TVF Motion Pictures, has already announced the release date as April 5, 2024.

With cinematography by Shanti Sagar, *Powder* will have noted Tamil composer Sean Roldan scoring the music.



Ester Noronha

Ester Noronha turns director with *The Vacant House*

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ESTER Noronha, who has showcased her talent as an actor in working in Kannada, Telugu, and Tulu films, is now embarking on a new journey. Known for her roles in movies like *Navi, Athiratha, Nuggaekai, Local Train*, and *Lanke*, Ester Noronha, who underwent training at Anupam Kher's acting school, is gearing up for her directorial debut with *The Vacant House*. In this upcoming project, she not only takes on the lead role but also shoulders responsibilities in production, music, story, and costumes.

According to Ester, *The Vacant House* revolves around a love story between two young individuals. The makers have unveiled the first look of the film. The movie is being produced by Janet Noronha Naron Productions, with a significant portion of the filming conducted in Mangalore.

The cinematography is by Narendra Goud and Vijay Raj is the editor. With post-production work wrapped up, the film is expected to hit screens by October or November.

It was a joy working with a whole new crew and a mix of experienced artistes in *Yathabhava*: Dattanna

CE FEATURES

THE shooting of *Yathabhava,* directed and produced by Gautam Basavaraj, has been wrapped up. The post-production work of the film is currently underway in Mumbai and Hyderabad. "Last year, I completed the script for this movie in Hyderabad. Subsequently, the process of filming began. We completed the filming within seventy-one days," says Gautam, giving an update about *Yathabhava*.

Yathabhava is a courtroom drama featuring senior actor Dattanna portraying the role of a judge. In a recent media interaction about *Yathabhava,* Dattanna shared that new talents are emerging, and new films are succeeding, and expressed that it was a joy working with a mix of new and experienced actors.

Gopalakrishna Deshpande and Bala Rajawadi essay the role of a lawyer and minister, respectively. *Yathabhava* produced by Macht Entertainments, Sujatha Kumari, and Anil Kumar BS, is headlined by debutants Pavan Shankar and Sahana Sudhakar in the lead, with Gautam Sudhakar playing a prominent role.

A still from the film